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FAIRVIEW poly Friday
Best Roving Banker:
r2 - (1) Double Happiness (2/1)

FAIRVIEW turf Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
r8 - (3) Fortissimus (3/1)

TURFFONTEIN Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
r1 - (1) Seven Sovereigns (15/10)

KENILWORTH Sunday
Best Roving Banker:
r9 - (2) Seattle Silva (5/1)

GREYVILLE turf Sunday
Best Roving Banker:
r2 - (11) Flichty By Farr (15/10)

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July Log Intrigue

The first Gr1 Vodacom Durban July log was released earlier this week, showing the top-twenty likely runners – if the race was run today.

There are still a good few weeks and big races to be contested, which could easily upset the order – especially lower down the list.

That said, there are interesting differences between the log and the ante-post betting. Two horses quoted at 16/1, Black Arthur and Horizon, are not in the top twenty on the log, and also not in the next five in line for the twenty candidates.

Both horses will have to up their game dramatically to justify their price.

The same goes for Africa Rising, Copper Force and Secret Captain. The 40/1 Prince Of Wales has

made the group of five reserves, and is a bit closer. Not all can win races between now and then!

An interesting supplementary entry on Tuesday morning bringing to 47 the number of horses still in contention was Michael Azzie's dual Gr1 winning import, Hat Puntano (Arg).

Quoted at 20/1, and not on the log published on Tuesday, he's a Gr1 winner at 2 and 3 over a mile in his home country, but hasn't raced since the middle of last year.

Much will depend on how his local debut at the end of May at Turffontein pans out. Azzie says he's keeping his options open with the exciting unknown.

Hat Puntano broke his maiden by 16 lengths on his 1400m debut. He won the Gr1 Gran Premio Gran

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DURBAN JULY

Criterion over a mile at his next outing. His fourth and final start in Argentina was in July 2016, saw him win the Gr1 Gran Premio Clasico Dos Mil Guineas.

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The top six spots on the VDJ Log are occupied by horses who have won automatic qualifying races this season. Marinaresco and Captain America, at 7 and 8, lead the way amongst the balance but there is a long way to go yet and those on the outside looking in still have plenty of opportunities to qualify.

JULY Ante-Post Odds

13/2	Marinaresco
17/2	Al Sahem
	Elusive Silva
14/1	Heavenly Blue
	Pagoda
16/1	Black Arthur
	Horizon
	It's My Turn
	Saratoga Dancer
20/1	Deo Juvente
	Edict Of Nantes
	Hat Puntano
25/1	Africa Rising
	Bela-Bela
	Captain America
	Copper Force
	Zodiac Ruler
33/1	Brazuca
	Secret Captain
40/1	French Navy
	Krambambuli
	Master Sabina
	Master Switch
	Nightingale
	Orchid Island
	Prince Of Wales
	The Conglomerate
50/1	Banner Hill
66/1	bar

The highlighted runners are all on the log. The rest aren't. Do the Bookmakers know something we don't?

Vodacom Durban July Log per 9 May

The Michael Azzie trained dual Grade 1 winner, Hat Puntano (ARG), was an interesting supplementary entry on Tuesday morning for the 2017 Vodacom Durban July bringing to 47 the number of horses still in contention for the big race on 1 July 2017.

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No.	Horse	MR	Trainer
1	DEO JUVENTE	115	Geoff Woodruff
2	AL SAHEM	106	Sean Tarry
3	HEAVENLY BLUE	106	Mike de Kock
4	MASTER SABINA	110	Geoff Woodruff
5	ORCHID ISLAND	99	Mike de Kock
6	EDICT OF NANTES	102	Brett Crawford
7	MARINARESCO	115	Candice Bass-Robinson
8	CAPTAIN AMERICA	116	Brett Crawford
9	BELA-BELA	109	Justin Snaith
10	FRENCH NAVY	112	Sean Tarry
11	THE CONGLOMERATE	107	Joey Ramsden
12	BRAZUCA	108	Johan Janse van Vuuren
13	KRAMBAMBULI	107	Justin Snaith
14	SARATOGA DANCER	107	Duncan Howells
15	PAGODA	101	Geoff Woodruff
16	ELUSIVE SILVA	99	ustin Snaith
17	NIGHTINGALE	105	Candice Bass-Robinson
18	IT'S MY TURN	106	Justin Snaith
19	ZODIAC RULER	99	Justin Snaith
20	MASTER SWITCH	101	Geoff Woodruff

The next 5 in alphabetical order:

GIRL ON THE RUN	98	Johan Janse van Vuuren
LIEGE	102	Sean Tarry
PRINCE OF WALES	100	Justin Snaith
SAFE HARBOUR	101	Sean Tarry
SILVER MOUNTAIN	102	Candice Bass-Robinson

Important Vodacom Durban July dates: Second Declaration: Close 11:00 Mon, 29 May / Final Supplementary Entries: Close 11:00 Mon, 12 June / Weights Published: Tues, 13 June / Final Declaration: Close 11:00 Mon, 19 June / Final Field & Draw: Announcement of Final Field & Barrier Draws will take place on Tues, 20 June / Public Gallops: 7am at Greyville Racecourse, Thurs, 22 June 2017

What A Difference A Year Makes!

Deo Juvente, the horse controversially not invited for the 2016 Vodacom Durban July, is top of the log for the big race on 1 July, writes Dave Mollett in Business Day.

Trained by Geoff Wooduff, Deo Juvente was beaten favourite in the Jubilee Handicap at Turffontein prior to the 2016 July, but the horse went lame.

To satisfy the Gold Circle selection panel, Woodruff organised for two vets to oversee a public gallop to prove the gelding was back to full soundness.

This did not satisfy the panel who declined to invite owner Markus Jooste's Trippi gelding.

Last Saturday, Deo Juvente, under an inspired ride by Callan Murray, notched the biggest win of his career when shading Legal Eagle and Nother Russia in the R4m Premier's Champions Challenge at Turffontein.

Now carrying a merit-rating of 115, Deo Juvente tops the July log ahead of Al Sahem (winner of the SA Derby), Heavenly Blue (beaten favourite in the Derby), Master Sabina (stablemate of Deo Juvente) and Orchid Island.

What a comeback it would be were he to win!

SATURDAY AT FAIRVIEW

Sword Fighter

E-Cape Derby Fairview

The downgrading of the R350 000 East Cape Derby to Listed status has not deterred a strong visiting contingent to take on the locals. No E-Cape based runner has won the race since 2009.

Fiddling with feature race status is a generally contentious and poorly communicated process in the South African racing hierarchy. Whether it's considered bad for business or just not the kind of subject decent families discuss around the dinner table, it would be positive were the media at the very least informed where and by whom these decisions are made.

The SP top-rated runner is the Duncan Howells raider Sabre Charge, who is a winner of 2 of his 8 starts and proven over the trip – the son of Golden Sword has won twice over this distance at Scottsville.

The officially highest MR rated runner in the race is Story Of My Life, who takes a dramatic step up in trip after two quiet feature efforts recently.

He is not a horse who settles, and that could be a major factor over the 2400m trip.

Fillies have no kind of record in this race, but Alan Greeff saddles two. Another Night has won at 1800m but was not persevered with last time when jockey Ndlovu reported that he felt something amiss with her in the running. Gimme Now is the second of the two Alan Greeff fillies in the ten horse field. She has not shown enough to suggest she could be a factor in this field.

Candice Bass-Robinson will be looking for her first winner in this race with the lightly tried Dorset Noble. He shed his maiden over 2400m at his second start, then put up a useful effort to stablemate Benjan.

Justin Snaith's Strathdon cracked a deserved second win last time at this track and looks to go the extra 400m. He has had some reasonable earlier showings to the likes of William Longsword and Horizon, and could give his trainer a back-to-back celebration after Captain Splendid won the Derby (when still a Gr3) last year.



KZN raider Sabre Charge has won twice over the distance | Gold Circle

winning his maiden over 1800m. Interestingly, Greg Cheyne would have had the choice of the three Greeff runners, yet rides Arabian Dynasty who should relish the extra.

En Gee Oh has been very consistent but meets Strathdon on 2kg worse terms for a two length beating last time.

Give It Away won his maiden at Fairview on the poly, followed by a course-and-distance second. He takes a leap in class.

Duke Of The Poly

Piere Strydom will be one of the visiting riders entertaining fans in Port Elizabeth this weekend for a rare Eastern Cape double header - first on Friday on the polytrack, then Saturday on the turf.

On Friday the third and final leg of the East Cape Poly Challenge over 1600m is run. No runner can win all three legs as Juan Two Three, who thrashed the opposition in the first leg over 1200m, did not run in the second leg over 1400m. But the rules have allowed for a R50 000 consolation bonus to the horse who earns the most points over the three legs, provided he wins at least one leg.

That has left Tara Laing-trained Sir Duke almost unstoppable in his quest to collect the windfall. The son of Trippi was runner-up behind Juan Two Three over 1200m and then sneaked in front of Peach Delight to win the second leg over 1400m. He has accumulated 16 points and that should be good enough to bag the bonus.

START
3:40PM
FAIRVIEW

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PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3
EAST CAPE DERBY (3YO'S)(LISTED)(TURF) - 2400M
SAME TRAINER: (1-7)(5-9-10)

Soar With Eagles
Gold Sword
Canford Cliffs
Silvano
Right Approach
Dynasty
Philanthropist
Philanthropist
Main Aim
Gimmethethegreenlight

1	STORY OF MY LIFE (GD Smith) C Maujean	6	60.0
2	SABRE CHARGE (DC Howells) K De Melo	5	60.0
3	DORSET NOBLE (C Bass-Robinson) A Domeyer	3	60.0
4	STRATHDON (J Snaith) C Orfter	8	60.0
5	OFF THE BIT (AC Greeff) P Strydom	4	60.0
6	ARABIAN DYNASTY (BJ Crawford) G Cheyne	7	60.0
7	EN GEE OH (GD Smith) JP vd Merwe	9	60.0
8	GIVE IT AWAY (G Paddock) L Mxothwa	2	60.0
9	ANOTHER NIGHT (AC Greeff) T Gould	1	57.5
10	GIMME NOW (AC Greeff) C Murray	10	57.5

Piere Strydom rides Off The Bit, who ran third in the Derby Plate over 2000m, three lengths behind Strathdon and will be 4kg better off this time.

Brett Crawford travels with the R4.25 million purchase Arabian Dynasty who accounted for Hernando's Promise when

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SATURDAY AT FAIRVIEW

Winter's Coming

Dahlia Plate (Listed) Fairview

Dippin' Blu Stables are out in force for this 1200m sprint. The Yvette Bremner machine saddles a sextet in the thirteen runner field and will be looking to dominate the show.

Spearheading the Bremner attack is the East Cape Nursery winner, Fort Winter. The son of leading freshman sire What A Winter will be looking to show that his last run was no flash-in-the-pan. He'd been beaten at his second outing by Desert Chief but cast a shoe there and was much more effective when shedding his maiden in the Nursery. He is set to carry 58kg, with the only two-time winner Sacred Oration carrying 60kg.

The weights are framed with Maidens at 53 kg and one-time winners 56 kg. Penalties apply of 2 kg for each additional win, up to 60 kg. Fillies get 2.5kg allowance.

Joking has run three seconds at her four outings – her only unplaced run being her 4 lengths off Precious Pansy in the Fillies Nursery. She gets 7.5kg from topweight Sacred Oration. She is no tearaway type and can be settled – a handy asset here.

Having his first run since gelding, Sacred Oration ran on really well to be beaten less than a length by Fort Winter in the Nursery. He now has to give the Bremner runner 2kg. Perhaps the gelding will make a difference.

Seattle Flame looks likely to challenge the top two on his form shown to date. After winning well on debut, he shifted about and then got going too late to

be beaten almost two lengths in the Nursery. With stable rider Greg Cheyne in the irons he looks better than Gone Not Forgotten, who is held by Sacred Oration on his penultimate start, before going under by 6 lengths to Fort Winter in the East Cape Nursery. He has a tendency to be slow away.

Coyote Creek is still a maiden. Slow off at both his starts to date, he ran on well last time after being out of his ground, to be beaten some five lengths by Big Chief.

Miss Aphrodite is still a maiden after 5 starts and dropped right out in the Nursery at her penultimate start. She did better last time out, when showing plenty of toe and staying on to finish just behind Grazia.

Desert Chief looks well held by Fort Winter and Secret Oration on previous runs.

Bright Flame is the most experienced racer in the field with six runs under the belt. He had to ease when beaten close on 6 lengths in the Nursery, and subsequently never got into the race won by Pinnacle Peak last time.

Via Seattle won her first two starts, but was bumped and got going too late when a two length fourth in the East Cape Fillies Guineas.

Pure Fiction and Itsgonnarain both won on debut, but then were beaten a street behind Precious Pansy in the Fillies Nursery.

Green Field made an unsupported debut last Friday when third to Trap Lord, and can only improve.



The East Cape Nursery winner Fort Winter looks set to follow up on Saturday | Gold Circle

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Live Streaming On Track

Last weekend's Kentucky Derby produced a bonanza for Churchill Downs. According to bloodhorse.com, not since 1989, when future super-sire Sunday Silence strode to victory, has the famous opening leg of the US Triple Crown enjoyed such a large television audience.

The calculated 16.5 million TAD (Total Audience Delivery), with a 19.1 million peak, delivered by NBC falls short of the 18.5 million racing fans who tuned in nearly 30 years ago, however it is still a record for this century. Even more remarkable is that streaming of the race was up a massive 30%.

START 3:00PM FAIRVIEW

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PA4/PICK SIX3/JACKPOT2
DAHLIA PLATE (2YO'S)(LISTED)(TURF) - 1200M
 SAME TRAINER:(4-6-8-9-10-11)(5-7)

Oratorio	1 SACRED ORATION (G Paddock) L Mxothwa.....	1	60.0
Sail From Seattle	2 BRIGHT FLAME (DA Sham) M v Rensburg.....	9	58.0
Main Aim	3 DESERT CHIEF (SB Kotzen) P Strydom.....	10	58.0
What A Winter	4 FORT WINTER (Y Bremner) C Murray.....	13	58.0
Sail From Seattle	5 GONE NOT FORGOTTEN (AC Greeff)X Ndlovu.....	11	58.0
Antonius Plus	6 ITSGONNARAIN (Y Bremner) C Zackey.....	5	58.0
Sail From Seattle	7 SEATTLE FLAME (AC Greeff) G Cheyne.....	3	58.0
Sail From Seattle	8 VIA SEATTLE (Y Bremner) K Zechner.....	6	57.5
Bold Silvano	9 PURE FICTION (Y Bremner) J Penny.....	2	55.5
Sail From Seattle	10 COYOTE CREEK (Y Bremner) L Hewitson.....	8	55.0
Marchfield	11 GREEN FIELD (Y Bremner) N Patel.....	4	55.0
Querari	12 JOKING (GD Smith) JP vd Merwe.....	12	52.5
Lecture	13 MISS APHRODITE (C Spies) T Gould.....	7	52.5

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CHAMPIONS DAY HISTORY

Our National Pride

Klawervlei Stud's unique joint venture with Arrowfield Australia reached a heady climax at Turffontein on Champions Day when two sons of Redoute's Choice out of former SA Horse Of The Year National Colour each won a Gr1.

Besides the superb racing, history was made by Mustaaqem winning the Gr1 SA Nursery and his 4yo full-brother Rafeef blitzing home in the Gr1 Computaform Sprint a few hours later.

While champion sire Redoute's Choice had achieved a same day Gr1 double a decade earlier when Nadeem and Snitzel won the Blue Diamond and the Oakleigh Plate at Caulfield in February 2006, the immaculately detailed pairing had never been achieved on the same basis- before Champions Day.

Think about it

A Gr1 double at the same meeting by two full brothers, ridden by the same jockey, bred by the same stud, raced by the same owner and trained by the same multiple champion, bought from the same vendor at the same sale.

Sheik Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Mike de Kock and 20 year old Callan Murray were the proud trio in the midst of the action – but it all started a few years earlier, when former TBA Chairman Advocate Altus Joubert sent Rainbow Cake to the iconic Highlands Sire, National Assembly.

The yearling sold to leading SA owner Chris van Niekerk was to go on to great things on the track- a South African Horse of the Year and Champion Older Sprinter in Britain, who raced with distinction in South Africa, Dubai and England.

Sales

While her son Rafeef – sold by Arrowfield for \$800,000 – was one of the major take aways from the 2014 Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale, her current youngest racer Mustaaqem was, at \$1.75 million, the third highest price at Easter '16 and Shadwell's biggest buy at the sale.

Klawervlei's John Koster told the Sporting Post that the joint venture with Arrowfield had realised undreamed of success.

"We have eight mares at Arrowfield and the idea was conceptualised to allow us to have access to the best of blood and to introduce new lines into South Africa. We are so proud with what National Colours has achieved. The exciting thing is that she has a Redoute's Choice foal at foot, is in foal to him and is scheduled to go to Snitzel," he said, adding that there were other high-class stakes performers to come out of the programme, including Time For War (Snitzel) and Lord Cecil (Animal Kingdom).



Adv. Altus Joubert

Racing Class

Bloodstock consultant Robin Bruss summed up matters when writing recently in the www.sportingpost.co.za

comments column:

Kudos to Adv Altus Joubert of Riethuiskraal Stud and former chairman of the TBA of South Africa.

National Colour not only thrashed the colts in the Computaform Sprint, but she also went to the UK and was beaten a nose in the Gr1 Nunthorpe Stakes in England.

She looks set to become an important foundation mare in the history of breeding in SA, because her two sons will become stallions and found their own dynasties, whilst her daughters will build future families.

She therefore becomes a pivot for the breed especially as Klawervlei, who maintains her in Australia, is mating her to world class stallions. It is also firm evidence once again that the breed progresses on the back of racing class.

BSA NATIONAL YEARLING SALE

Var Sets The Bar

Multiple SA Champion trainer Mike de Kock will train the National Yearling Sale record-breaking Var filly bought for Shadwell SA in the final session last Friday.



Record Breaker VAR filly #395

De Kock has won the SA Champion title eight times and is one of the most prolific trainers of local and international Group winners produced in this country.

He will train Goddess Var, the most expensive yearling ever sold at a BSA auction.

Her price tag of R5 million surpassed the R4.75 million paid for Savannah Cat in 2015,

when she was knocked down to Shadwell South Africa early on Friday afternoon.

A magnificent athletic specimen, she is a daughter of one of South Africa's great sires of the 21st century.

Consigned by Varsfontein Stud, Goddess Var (#395) is out of the winning Captain Al mare Fidelity, a three parts sister to Gr3 East Cape Derby winner Captain Splendid and a half-sister to Gr2 winning sire Master Of My Fate, and the four time stakes winner Justthewayyouare.

Her second dam is Equus Champion Promisefrommyheart, whose six career wins included successes in the Gr1 Triple Tiara 1600 and Gr1 SA Fillies Guineas.

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Source Of Champions

Lerena Heads For UK

SA log leading jockey Gavin Lerena has opened the championship door for Mauritzfontein-Wilgerbosdrift sponsored Anthony Delpech after he announced that he has accepted an opportunity to ride in the UK.

Lerena's shock announcement late last week that he will be riding for trainer Charles Hills at Lambourn in the next few weeks, is confirmation of the 31 year old's longstanding burning desire to pursue an international career.

A one-time SA Champion jockey, Lerena was a member of the victorious Rest Of The World Team at last year's Shergar Cup.

He also won the 2015 LONGINES International Jockeys' Championship in Hong Kong.

Hills' training complex at Faringdon Place centres around three large American Barns which house 150 horses between them. He has saddled 12 winners so far in the UK flat season, that runs from April to November.

Lerena chalked up a milestone 1500th career winner aboard Brazuca at Turffontein on Saturday, 18 February 2017.

Lerena's wife Vicky (herself a former professional jockey) and his young son Ashton will be joining him once he has settled in.



Gavin Lerena | Hamish Niven

Top Trippi Filly Sold

Highlands, a part of Ridgemont, has purchased the high-class Trippi filly Live Life for an undisclosed sum as part of a broader move to bolster their broodmare band with black-type stock.

The iconic Highlands Stud was recently acquired by the Kieswetter family's Ridgemont Stud and spokesman Craig Carey confirmed the purchase of the 3yo.

"We raced her Western Winter half-sister Cold As Ice and have Vice Versa in training with Brett Crawford. Live Life is a bright prospect and we are thrilled to have bought her and be able to race her before she moves on to our paddocks," he said.

Carey confirmed to the Sporting Post that Live Life would stay in training with Candice Bass-Robinson and is likely to be aimed at the Gr1 SA Fillies Sprint next month.

Live Life was bought for R2,5 million at the 2015 Cape Premier Yearling Sale by Rustenburg based game breeder Piet du Toit and his wife Vivian. They also bought the sale record breaker, Horizon, for R5,2 million at the same time. They race in the green and khaki of Hunkydory Investments.

Live Life has won 5 races from 11 starts, including the Gr2 Sceptre Stakes and banked the second biggest winner's cheque in over a century of horseracing in this country when she stormed in to win the \$500 000 CTS Sprint at Kenilworth on Sun Met day.

Bred by top breeders Avontuur, she is a daughter of the smashing National Assembly seven-time winning speedster Viva. She thus hails from a top Avontuur female line.

OUR CHAMPION DAYS

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There's Hope Yet!

Let's face it, it was tough going at the National Yearling Sale, more so on the third day. There were those who complained that the market could not take more than 600 horses in a matter of a fortnight, and there was probably some truth in it, writes Mick Goss.

Others complained about the sale being sandwiched between an extra-long weekend and a big race meeting, and there may be a modicum of validity there as well.

But the actual truth lies in the state of the nation and the realities of the national economy. The world over, economists are talking about "green shoots", yet the cabinet reshuffle and a business confidence index that plunged a whopping 7 percentage points on the eve of the sale would've had many an investor shoving his wallet back into his sky rocket. That political events are quickly moving towards a tipping point and a likely resolution to all the excitement, will only console South Africans in the months ahead.

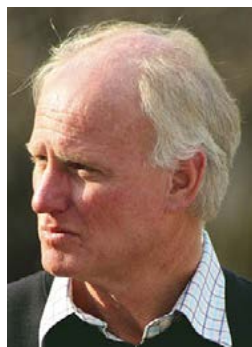
The other side of the balance sheet though, was a somewhat surprising average at the sale of R303 726.00 and a total turnover of R112 075,000 which, coupled with the CTS outcome of ten days before, realised a not insubstantial combined aggregate of R153,754,000 (combined average of R310,928).

I guess most of us would've taken that with both hands ahead of the time, knowing the political shenanigans going into the sale and the lessons history has taught us when comparable circumstances conspired against the outcome in years gone by. Hard as it was, it was better than most of us had anticipated, and while the news will be greeted differently from farm to farm, it's the overall resilience of the thoroughbred economy that matters in the end, because we all know it's about swings and roundabouts, and the clouds are gathering a bit of a silver lining.

There's at last a good bit of light at the end of the tunnel on the export front.

Those who've followed the processes our task team is engaged in for the normalisation of our protocols, will know that in the eyes of the international veterinary community, our veterinarians and doctors have pretty much "nailed" the science; it's the political battle now that will win the war. While every horseman is itching to know how far we've come in the discourse with potential trading partners, it's probably as well to maintain a semblance of confidentiality at this stage, lest we forewarn those who might wish to meddle.

Suffice to say, in several jurisdictions of the world, the political and commercial will to trade with South Africa in thoroughbreds



Mick Goss

has come full circle, buoyed in no small measure by the money our bigger domestic players have spent in foreign markets and the relationships they've developed with major players in those realms. It helps, of course, that our horses have performed internationally as well, and it helps that historically we've exported close on half a million horses to various parts of the world, the bulk of them before there was any mandatory form of quarantine, without ever exporting horse sickness to any of the recipient nations.

There will be those who point to the fact that by nature, I tend towards optimism, but there will be others who are comforted by the words of Professor Ian Sanne, who returned during the week of the sale from a ground-breaking meeting in France involving the commercial development of a new set of vaccines.

While the vaccines are not independently critical to the normalisation of our protocols, they will nonetheless decisively enhance the path into the future, and the mere fact that there is now a measure of international co-operation in getting these over the line, is another indicator that the world is developing a receptive response to South Africa's export initiatives.

It is symbolic that this meeting took place in France, where the outcome of their Presidential election this past weekend was good for the future of the European Union. Our present protocol lies with the powers in Brussels, and it's telling that a prominent French breeder just a week ago echoed his conviction that the European Union will also revisit the terms of our export relationships with them before year end.

Besides, our most recent interventions are in line with the guidelines prescribed by the OIC, the body which regulates the movement of livestock across the globe, so it seems that all the portents are realigning themselves favourably for South Africa, thanks in no small measure to the tireless work of the task team.

We know that timing in matters between governments is always about the length of a piece of string, but with the forces at work now, I would be pretty bullish that we'll have something concrete in place by December, in which case, it won't matter who's president; Guptas or no Guptas, the breeding and racing of thoroughbreds in South Africa will at long last be on its way down the "yellow brick road".

Three months on the Ascot Stallions continue to lead

**Bold
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by INDIVIDUAL WINNERS



Lanark makes it the 13th
individual winner - won
at Kenilworth 10 May



Short Heads

Classic Silvano

Maine Chance Farms' sire Silvano dominated proceedings this

past week, with his progeny shining both on the racetrack and in the sales ring. A Silvano colt was knocked down to Form Bloodstock for R4 000 000 on the opening day of the 2017 National Yearling Sale. Consigned by Lammerskraal Stud, the beautifully bred colt was the top colt sold on the National Sale and the second top lot overall. His daughters Wind Chill and Oriental Oak ran 1-2 in the Gr2 Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks, while Al Sahem became Silvano's 20th individual Gr1 winner when winning the SA Derby. Silvano's son Janoobi won the Gr2 Daisy Guineas on Sunday to become a dual Guineas winner. To crown it all, Marinaresco became Silvano's fourth graded winner on the weekend when winning Sunday's Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes.

Janoobi For Dubai

Gr2 Daisy Guineas winner Janoobi (Silvano – Shasta Daisy) has booked his ticket to Dubai, according to trainer Mike de Kock. The dual Guineas winner could be lengths better if he just learns to settle.

RAFEEF FOR STUD

There is a chance that Saturday's 4yo Gr1 Computaform Sprint winner Rafeef (Redoute's Choice – National Colour) will stay in South Africa to take up stud duties. "He's a man, he's becoming coltish and I don't think it will be long before he goes to stud," predicted Mike de Kock after Champions Day.

SNOW IDEA

Godolphin admit they may never know the reason why Thunder Snow put on a buck-jumping display at the start of Saturday's Kentucky Derby which caused him to take no part in the race, reports Racing Post. The Saeed bin Suroor-trained colt, who is a son of Australian-bred three-time Gr1-winning shuttler Helmet, was lauded as Godolphin's best-ever Derby candidate following victories in the Gr3 UAE 2000 and Gr2 UAE Derby in Dubai. But in what Chief Executive John Ferguson described as "one of the most extraordinary things any of us have ever seen", the 3yo put in a mini-bucking bronco routine in the first 100 metres before being pulled up by jockey Christophe Soumillon.

Captain's Pick

New Turf Carriers will sponsor the 2017 Rider Cup

Interprovincial jockeys' challenge which takes place at Scottsville Racecourse on Saturday, 9 July. Based on the National Jockeys and Apprentice logs as at the end of May, invitations will be sent to riders from each of the provinces with the leading jockey being appointed the Captain of his team. The top three from each province will qualify with the fourth member being chosen by the team captain.

Scott Class!

It was a great weekend for KZN based Scott Bros. A half sister to their Mr Greeley stallion Crusade won a Gr2 on QIPCO Guineas day at Newmarket on Saturday. Seventh Heaven drew off to take the Gr2 Dunaden Jockey Club Stakes by 5 lengths from One Foot In Heaven. Seventh Heaven, a 4-year-old by Galileo, racing for Coolmore, finished fourth in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf last year and followed that with a runner-up showing in the Gr1 Dubai Sheema Classic on World Cup night. On Champions Day, the Scott Bros bred Talktothestars ran a storming second to Rafeef in the Gr1 Computaform Sprint. Earlier their top stallion Mogok's progressive son Pagoda ran a cracking second in the Gr1 SA Derby.

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There are just under 100 jockeys licenced in South Africa. Only 24 of them use 17 Agents in total

EASY JOB

Godolphin's stand-in Australian trainer Darren Beadman said he wanted the position on a full-time basis after officially replacing John O'Shea on Sunday. "This is the dream job," Beadman told Sky Sports. "The thing about it is that it's not like going out and training 40 or 60 horses. You've got plenty of staff and good staff and that makes the job a lot easier and you've just got to be on top of it."

MUSTAAQEEM Waiting The Call

The news that Saturday's impressive Gr1 SA Nursery winner Mustaaqem (Redoute's Choice – National Colour) could be winking his way overseas, will be a disappointment for local fans. "It would be great to have Mustaaqem as a stallion here one day, we need National Colour's speed, for one, but I have a feeling I will get a call to ship this one out in due course," Mike de Kock said.

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Galileo (Sadler's Wells) sired a stakes double on Sunday, taking his total number of stakes winners to 237 after the Aidan O'Brien-trained Winter (3 f ex Laddies Poker Two by Choisir) won the Gr1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket. The result also provided Galileo with his 64th Gr1 winner. Earlier in the afternoon, Mayfair Speculators' Douglas Macarthur (3 c ex Alluring Park by Green Desert) won the Gr3 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial Stakes at Leopardstown, becoming his sire's 236th stakes winner. Galileo was also responsible for Saturday's Gr1 2000 Guineas winner Churchill.

PERSONALITY

A Champions Day Knight

Callan Murray

Callan has been nicknamed 'Sir Smiley' by PE's Tara Laing, but don't be fooled by his sunny disposition – he's all business on the track and the young lad who has only been out of his time since January has just scored a Gr1 treble on South Africa's Champions Day.

Callan has enjoyed a career that could best be described as meteoric and an overview of the last 3 years tells an interesting story.

Callan's first ride under rules came on 3 November 2013 when the Mike de Kock trained Captain Lars finished 5th at Scottsville. His second opportunity came the same day and he earned a 3rd place on Two Tone Rocka for Wendy Whitehead. Callan's first win came at his second meeting, when he steered Ingrid and Markus Jooste's Tennessee Strategy home to a 0.75 length win for the Charles Laird stable. He closed his first riding season 16th on the apprentice log with 13 wins, a 4% win and 34% place strike rate.

The following season, Callan jumped to 3rd on the apprentice log with 41 wins, but things really got going in 2015/16. On 11 November 2015, he partnered Deo Juvente to victory in the Gr2 Victory Moon Stakes for the Geoff Woodruff yard. As an added bonus, it was one of three wins on the day making it a full house from his 3 carded rides. Callan may have a friendly demeanor, but he is deadly serious about his career. When we chatted to him after the Victory Moon and being a man with very firm plans for his future, Callan listed the Apprentice Championship as his short-term goal along with cementing relationships in away centres to set him up once he finished his apprenticeship. Callan duly notched 78 wins with a 7% win and 42% place strike rate to be named Champion Apprentice for the 2015/16 season and as an added bonus, won the Zimbabwean Apprenticeship too.

What Callan Did Next

After ticking those boxes, his next goals were winning a Gr1 and gaining international exposure. He may have got the order wrong, but as usual, it didn't take him long to achieve both. And as always, there was a little bonus thrown in as well. Callan carved a niche for himself in the Mike de Kock team and shortly after notching the Choice Carriers Championship aboard Sheikh Hamdan's Ektifaa, Avontuur Estate selected Callan for a sponsorship. Avontuur are no fools and it says a lot that they grabbed Callan while he was still an apprentice. Next came the news that Callan was off to Australia for a 6-week stint with David Hayes' Lindsay Park Stables. He made sure to leave an impression on departure, posting the final South African win of his apprentice career aboard Sheikh Hamdan's Al Hawraa for the Mike de Kock yard. Callan hit the ground running in Australia, conducting himself with honour and bringing home 4 wins and a fistful of places.

Callan landed back in Johannesburg at 4am on 21 January 2017 and his bags had hardly hit the ground before he was straight off to work again. His first ride back was Malih Albasti's Talbec for the Mike de Kock yard which he got home in a tight finish to score his first win as a fully fledged jockey. Callan has also made good on becoming established in other centres and with PE's Tara Laing in particular, who gave him his moniker of 'Sir Smiley'.

Right on schedule, Callan's first Grade 1 arrived in the form of the Mike de Kock trained Heavenly Blue, which he rode to victory in the 1 April SA Classic. He has just added another 3 to his tally

on Champions Day, 6 May 2017 and his smile and enthusiasm are as warm as always.

Catching up with Callan

Sunday morning found Callan was on the road bright and early to catch a flight to Durban and he chatted to us cheerfully on his way to the airport.

While jockeys tend to acquire a professional veneer in dealing with the media, Callan's warmth and candour are entirely disarming. Asked how he is feeling after his big day, he laughs and says, "Jeez, I don't know what to say. It hasn't settled in yet, but it was absolutely amazing. I was expecting a good day. I only had to be at work at 6, but I woke up at 4:30. I don't like to be overly confident and put myself under too much pressure, but I don't know hey, I just had a feeling." One can hear the trademark grin all the way from Johannesburg and you can't help grinning back at him.

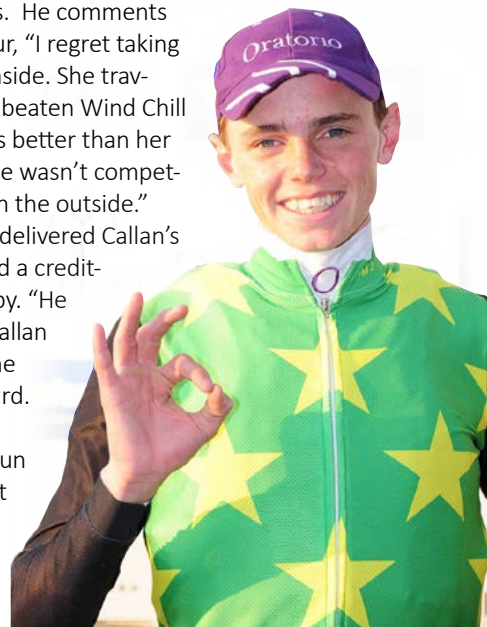
He rode work on Saturday morning and then went home to get ready for the races. His 10 engagements for Champions Day started in the Gold Bowl with Smart Mart, which he labeled 'a bit disappointing.' "It is hard to be competitive with the horses on the outside and all I can say is it was not a true reflection of his ability." 3200m is also a bit of a trek and he laughs, "Especially with Smart Mart trying to go a mile pace while I was trying to hold him at the back, but it was a nice warm-up for the day."

Mustaaqem

With lots of pats for the colt and a few celebratory gestures past the post, the SA Nursery looked a special win. "I was as confident as anything and he won like a good horse. It's crazy to think, but I still had gears. He's a gem to ride. He's good because of his nature and he's got the ability." Full brother Rafeef debuted in the 2015 SA Nursery and then picked up an injury which kept him off the track for the best part of a year. Callan confirms that the lessons learnt with Rafeef mean that the exciting colt, dubbed 'The New Machine' by Alistair Cohen, will likely be put away for a few months. "He might not look it, but he's a giant. I think he'll have a rest and come back later in the year and then we'll see a really good horse," he promises.

With the butterflies firmly out of the way, Callan partnered the high quality Fish River in the SA Fillies Nursery and Belle Rose in the Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks. He comments with refreshing candour, "I regret taking Belle Rose down the inside. She travelled so well and she's beaten Wind Chill before. I do think she's better than her run and once again, she wasn't competitive with the horses on the outside."

Heavenly Blue, who delivered Callan's first career Gr1 finished a creditable 3rd in the SA Derby. "He just didn't stay," says Callan matter-of-factly, "but he ran a gallant race in third. He tried his heart out and had a beautifully run race, but just didn't get the distance. But he'll be back."



CALLAN MURRAY

Rafeef

From the Derby 2450m, it was straight into the high-speed action of the Computform Sprint, where Rafeef delivered Callan's 2nd Gr1 of the day. "I knew we were taking on Carry On Alice, but his work in the week was unbelievable. I was just hoping to run into the money, but the race mapped out really well for me. Jo's Bond went a cracking pace and I could track her. It was so weird, I was still sitting and remember looking up expecting to see the 500m marker and saw the 300m sign. He was still going very comfortably and I thought 'this is crazy' and knew we had them all beat. He ran to the line really well and won like a good horse." Delivering Gr1 wins on two full brothers for Sheikh Hamdan is particularly satisfying and Callan says, "It's so exciting. Sheikh Hamdan has put so much into the game here and it's great to see that rewarded." Asked what the 4yo entire is like to work with, Callan says, "In his box he'll chew your arm off, so you have to be careful, but to ride, you could put a kid on him. And on race day, he's even easier. That's his biggest attribute. He's the calmest horse I ride and he's an absolute professional."

What was going through his mind with a second Gr1 in the bag? "I was thinking I hit the jackpot!" he laughs. "It's just an honor and privilege to be a part of the Mike de Kock team. They guide and teach me every step of the way which is a huge part of our success."

A Special Win

The Premier's Champions Challenge was billed a slam dunk for reigning Horse of the Year, Legal Eagle and one doesn't take on a good Mike de Kock filly lightly, but Callan has buckets of BMT and him and Deo Juvente are old friends. "Look, he's a horse plagued with problems. I had worked him coming into the race and he was the soundest he's ever been, so I was hoping to sneak into the money.

Mr Brugman asked me to drop him right out and have him relaxed at the back. I rode him that way and was expecting him to run on. At the top of the straight, I moved through a gap and Anton didn't look as though he was going that well. It was Deo's day and he just gave me his all. The feel he gave me through the 400m, I didn't think he could get beat. It was the best he's ever gone." It was a particularly emotional moment for the connections. "It was really nice to win for Geoff. His mother passed away the night before, so it was a special win for him and it was special to be part of that."

Cloud Nine

It seems silly to ask, but what does a Gr1 treble feel like? "What do you think?" laughs Callan. "Crazy. I couldn't believe it. Shock, disbelief, but so happy. Everyone on course was loving it, my family were all there, so that was nice. It was a really special day."

Al Hawraa got caught deep in the Gerald Rosenberg Stakes and Callan says, "It was a difficult race for her, but she'll improve." He also notched a nice second on Brian Wiid's Arpad and closed out the card on Samarra, who finished out of the money in the Gr2 Camellia Stakes.

The trend for marathon feature days can make one a little weary. Is it a long day in the jockey room too? "It depends how your day goes," says Callan. "If it's a good day, it goes quick. If it's a bad day, it drags out. I must just say thank you to everyone who helped me achieve this amazing feat."

Callan says there were a few celebratory drinks on Saturday, but with the trip to Durban, it was kept low key. "I'll plan a dinner in the week probably."

Alistair Cohen, who did sterling service in the commentary box all day probably summed it up best. "Callan Murray. Three Grade One wins. 20 years old. Take a bow, son."

What a weekend! Gr1 Connections



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Most of us associate bloodstock sales with broodmares and covering sires, but there’s another dimension to these events we too often forget, and that’s the concept of a strong weanling offering that discovered its mojo when Summerhill hosted the national broodmare sales some two decades ago.



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Since then, they’ve dabbled with great success themselves in the purchase of young stock at similar venues abroad, where their intuitions have yielded a fist of national celebrities, no fewer than 14 (or 33%) of them earning their stripes in Black type company.

Of course, we all know the story of their “international” sales consignees,

like Horse of the Year Igugu, but it’s worth recalling the names of Hollywoodboulevard, Blueridge Mountain, Rich Girl, Killua Castle, Dylan’s Promise, Ilitshe, Umgiyu, Rio Carnival, Newlands, Trafalgar Legacy, Grail Maiden, Ridethebreeze, Indaba My Children and His Affidavit as well.

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Speaking from the farm, Mick Goss assures us that he has been personally involved in the selection of the weanling entry.

“We’ve bought weanlings in various parts of the world, and while you might argue that the shuttle sires in Australia provide a wide spectrum of choice, I have to say that you can’t beat this lot for value and we’re more than pleased with the individuals we’ll have on our sale come the middle of May. They’re as decent a bunch as I’ve seen here, and I’d be a disappointed man if there wasn’t a good sprinkling of proper racehorses among them”.

While it’s obviously the golden chance to grab a clutch of broodmare gems, history only has to repeat itself for the Summerhill offering of 80 weanlings to throw up some elite racehorses, and all it calls for is for buyers to plunge their hands into a “pipe” which has yielded more premierships than any other in modern history.

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Blood Rules The Land

No fewer than 196 lots have been catalogued for the Bloodstock SA Cape Mare Sale, which is set to get underway at noon on Thursday 18 May at the Mistico Equestrian Centre near Paarl

The sale also includes the Al Adiyat broodmare reduction sale, which consists of 11 fillies or mares, the majority of whom have been tested in foal to Al Adiyat’s former champion and Dubai Gr1 winner Vercingetorix, a son of the red hot sire Silvano.

Covering sires include Captain Of All, Duke Of Marmalade, Dynasty, Elusive Fort, Fencing Master, Flower Alley, Flying The Flag, Futura, Gimmethegreenlight, Greys Inn, Ideal World, Jackson, Judpot, Legislate, Louis The King, Master Of My Fate, Oratorio, Pathfork, Philanthropist, Trippi and What A Winter.

Among the notable mares on sale is high class black type winner Pay The Piper (in foal to Vercingetorix), seven time stakes winner Nik Nak (in foal to Twice Over) and stakes winner Crescent Lily (in foal to Captain Of All).

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Breeding The CHAMPIONS



William Longsword

Klawervlei Stud, who are currently well clear on the South African breeders' championship, have been enjoying an unforgettable season in 2016-2017.

The stud received notable credit at the recent Thoroughbred Breeders Awards, where Klawervlei bred and or raised horses picked up no fewer than eight Grade 1 winning awards!

Klawervlei's success rate has been notably felt over the past twelve months following last year's TBA Grade 1 awards ceremony.

During that time frame, horses bred by the stud won no fewer than seven Grade One races. Added to this tally, is a further Grade 1 winner bred and raised on behalf of the BBP Syndicate making it eight Gr 1 wins in all.

Remarkably, this equates to Klawervlei Stud bred or raised horses winning no less than 30% of South Africa's Gr 1 races in the past 12 months.

This is a truly phenomenal achievement and one unlikely to be repeated anytime soon.

Among the stars to have shone for Klawervlei are:
ALWAYS IN CHARGE – Tsogo Sun Gold Medallion Gr1
CARRY ON ALICE - World Sports Betting Computaform Sprint Gr1 and Cape Flying Championship Gr1
EDICT OF NANTES – Investec Cape Derby Gr1
JUST SENSUAL – World Sports Betting Cape Fillies Guineas Gr1
REAL PRINCESS – City of Pietermaritzburg SA Fillies Sprint Gr1
THE SECRET IS OUT – Allan Robertson Championship Gr1 (for the BBP Syndicate)
WILLIAM LONGSWORD – Grand Parade Cape Guineas Gr1

This score includes a remarkable clean-sweep of the Cape's Gr1 classics!

Klawervlei congratulates all the owners, trainers, jockeys and grooms connected to these thoroughbred stars.

Double Scoop For Moutonshoek Stud

Moutonshoek will be standing two exciting new stallions for 2017, in the form of Galileo's Gr1 winning son The United States and Admiral Kitten.

ADMIRAL KITTEN, himself a Gr1 winner on turf, is the first son of US champion sire Kitten's Joy to retire to stud in South Africa.

Admiral Kitten, whose four wins included the Gr1 Secretariat Stakes-a race also won by his champion sire Kitten's Joy, was a top flight turf performer in the US who not only won the Secretariat Stakes but also ran second in the Gr1 Hollywood Derby.

He is one of more than 70 stakes winners sired by US turf champion and multiple Gr1 winner Kitten's Joy, who has headed US turf sires list for the past four years in a row. His top offspring include the Breeders' Cup winners Stephanie's Kitten, Bobby's Kitten and Oscar Performance, with Kitten's Joy runners having amassed over \$66 million in prize money.

Admiral Kitten, who is bred on the same Kitten's Joy/Grand Slam cross as Gr1 winner Kitten's Dumplings, is from an outstanding family whose members include champion sires Cozzene and Fort Wood, as well as the once defeated superstar Dubai Millennium, whose son Dubawi is one of the world's elite sires.

Admiral Kitten (by a grandson of Sadler's Wells) is closely related to champion sire Fort Wood, with the latter being a son of Sadler's Wells himself. This is also the family of Gr1 Breeders' Cup Mile winner and champion sire Cozzene, whose offspring included current top class sire Mizzen Mast and the Breeders' Cup winners Alphabet Soup and Tikkanen.

The globetrotting THE UNITED STATES was a superb racehorse, who competed at the highest level around the world.

His seven wins netted him more than \$2 million in stakes, with his victories highlighted by a score in the Gr1 Ranvet Stakes—a race also won by such champions as Tulloch, Gunsynd, and Peter Pan.

The United States, also a Gr3 winner in Ireland, won or placed in 11 major feature races and competed with some of the best horses around.

Among those beaten by The United States during his racing career were the likes of G1 winners Awesome Rock, Boban, Criterion, Mongolian Khan, Sofia Rosa, Trust In A Gust, and Melbourne Cup winner Prince Of Penzance.

The United States is one of more than 230 stakes winners for Epsom Derby winner and multiple champion sire Galileo, whose other notable sire sons include top class stallions New Approach, Teofilo and the sensational Frankel. The premier sire in the world today, Galileo is responsible for the favourites in both the first two English classics, the 2000 and 1000 Guineas, run at Newmarket this past weekend.

Bred on the same Galileo/Pivotal cross as current English classic hope and Gr1 Dubai Fillies Mile winner Rhododendron, The United States is out of the Gr3 winning speedball Beauty Is Truth, a daughter of world leading sire and top sprinter Pivotal.

He is a full-brother to recent Gr3 Ballylinch 1000 Guineas Trial winner Hydrangea. This is the same family as Gr1 Breeders' Cup Mile winner and champion sire Last Tycoon, whose numerous high class performers include top class sires Marju and O'Reilly among many others.

Stud fees are yet to be announced for either sire, both of whom will stand his first season at Moutonshoek in 2017.

BREEDING

Quality Counts

Abel Tasman, surprise winner of this year's G1 Kentucky Oaks and daughter of Quality Road, is the latest descendant of Elusive Quality to make a name at the highest level.

Elusive Quality was Champion Sire in North America in 2001 and is one of the top class performers descended from the champion racemare Vagrancy. Others are Breeder's Cup winner Anees (Unbridled), Irish Oaks winner Margarula (Doyoun), Irish St Leger winner Dark Lomond (Lomond), Gr1 winners Gregorian (Graustark) and Capote Belle (Capote).

Locally we have one-time top-priced yearling Mister Hawaii (Hawaii) and Gold Cup winner Milleverof (Averof), both from the same branch descending from Vagrancy, and dual local Oaks winner Dylan's Promise (Dylan Thomas).

Further back, Elusive Quality traces back to Frizette- also ancestress of Seattle Slew (Bold Reasoning), Tourbillon (Ksar) and Elusive Quality's own grandsire Mr Prospector (Raise A Native).

Elusive Quality, a high class performer who set a world record for a mile at Belmont Park, has headed the 2yo sires list in Australia and has been champion sire in Brazil. His offspring, which include G1 winners on dirt and turf, include more than 120 stakes winners, making him Gone West's most prolific sire-son of stakes winners.

Elusive Quality's 14 Gr1 winners include six champions, headed by Kentucky Derby/Preakness winner Smarty Jones. One of the best Kentucky Derby winners over the past few decades, Smarty Jones has been widely travelled during his stud career. He

has 26 stakes winners to his credit including the Gr1 winner Centralintelligence.

Prix Morny winner Elusive City, who is from Elusive Quality's first crop, has been represented by 49 stakes winners, headed by French 1000 Guineas winner Elusive Wave, New Zealand champion Vespa and Gr1 winning millionaire Famous Seamus.

Gr1 Breeder's Cup Classic winner Raven's Pass has had success this year, with Big Duke (Gr2 Chairman's Handicap) and French Gr3 winner and classic hope Via Ravenna. Raven's Pass is also responsible for some highly promising 3yo's this year, Tocco d'Amore and Midnight Fair. Tocco d'Amore won first time out by six lengths and holds entries in both the Gr1 Investec Oaks and Darley Irish Oaks, while Midnight Fair, an eight length winner first time out, could be anything. To date, Raven's Pass has been represented by 17 stakes winners, eight of them graded race winners.

Australian champion and Gr1 Golden Slipper hero Sepoy has Northern Hemisphere runners including Gr3 winning fillies Kilmah (Prestige Stakes) and Dab-yah (Fred Darling Stakes). Sepoy was represented by two runners in the 1000 Guineas last weekend.

Abel Tasman's sire Quality Road looks best of Elusive Quality sire sons to date. He was an exceptional racer, whose four Gr1 victories include a twelve lengths win in the 2010 Donn Handicap. Quality Road's dam is a full sister to Breeder's Cup winner Ajina (Strawberry Road). Like his sire, Quality Road traces back directly in female line to Frizette



Elusive Quality

Quality Road made an exceptional start to his stud career. His first crop included Breeder's Cup winner Hootenanny, Gr1 Gamely Stakes winner Illuminant, and multiple graded winner Blofeld. He had three Gr1 winners in 2016, and so far this year has seven stakes winners. Abel Tasman apart, they include graded winners Long Haul Bay (Bay Shore Stakes), Salty (Gulfstream Oaks) and Guest Suite (Lecomte Stakes). His current tally of 13 black type winners should grow as the quality of his books improves.

Elusive Quality's daughters Gr1 winner No Nay Never (Prix Morny), multiple Gr1 winning filly Guelph (Exceed And Excel), Gomo (Alciabiades Stakes), Shooting To Win (Caulfield Guineas) and Japanese champion Shonan Adela (Deep Impact).

From a few local runners, Elusive Quality's winners include Gr1 placed Gr2 winner Merhee (AUS), Gr3 August Stakes winner Anger (BRZ), and Gr2 Natal Guineas runner-up Elusive River (AUS).

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trainer	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four %	stakes	stks/ runs
SG Tarry	1098	164	15%	222	20%	34%	133	12%	513	47%	26,623,325	24,247
J Snaith	995	131	13%	214	22%	25%	127	13%	462	46%	15,322,725	15,400
MF de Kock	541	85	16%	135	25%	30%	69	13%	284	52%	15,022,975	27,769
C Bass-Robinson	672	70	10%	89	13%	22%	71	11%	290	43%	12,160,213	18,096
BJ Crawford	569	81	14%	82	14%	43%	68	12%	270	47%	12,080,338	21,231
GV Woodruff	375	64	17%	83	22%	39%	40	11%	189	50%	11,380,313	30,348
VH Marshall	477	49	10%	54	11%	33%	34	7%	165	35%	9,502,263	19,921
AC Greeff	809	115	14%	137	17%	27%	77	10%	353	44%	7,277,775	8,996
J Ramsden	365	48	13%	70	19%	36%	48	13%	189	52%	6,822,075	18,691
M Houdalakis	447	55	12%	44	10%	30%	49	11%	196	44%	6,317,675	14,134
GS Kotzen	566	66	12%	67	12%	40%	57	10%	238	42%	6,192,100	10,940
JJ v Vuuren	280	47	17%	53	19%	43%	23	8%	124	44%	6,031,100	21,540
DC Howells	527	52	10%	88	17%	36%	52	10%	218	41%	5,572,688	10,574
GM Alexander	394	49	12%	44	11%	27%	42	11%	163	41%	5,374,250	13,640
G v Zyl	529	49	9%	53	10%	19%	58	11%	241	46%	5,171,650	9,776
DR Drier	414	61	15%	84	20%	37%	35	8%	170	41%	5,160,138	12,464

LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS

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jockey	rides	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four %	stakes	stks/ rides
G Lerena	613	129	21%	208	34%	34%	96	16%	373	61%	15,852,088	25,860
A Delpech	599	122	20%	255	43%	27%	106	18%	360	60%	16,821,600	28,083
G Cheyne	694	118	17%	162	23%	30%	93	13%	400	58%	11,672,475	16,819
A Marcus	444	116	26%	238	54%	33%	65	15%	302	68%	19,322,575	43,519
C Zackey	1065	109	10%	80	8%	28%	97	9%	417	39%	10,862,138	10,199
R Fourie	514	105	20%	141	27%	36%	89	17%	295	57%	9,309,925	18,113
A Fortune	649	103	16%	149	23%	26%	78	12%	333	51%	8,446,176	13,014
S Khumalo	645	103	16%	154	24%	35%	84	13%	310	48%	12,274,975	19,031
M Yeni	1125	103	9%	114	10%	28%	135	12%	468	42%	8,966,875	7,971
L Hewitson	1052	101	10%	104	10%	17%	95	9%	407	39%	9,422,314	8,957
P Strydom	435	87	20%	123	28%	32%	63	14%	246	57%	11,551,500	26,555
M v Rensburg	790	80	10%	51	6%	33%	75	9%	313	40%	7,018,801	8,885
JP vd Merwe	837	77	9%	55	7%	25%	69	8%	305	36%	6,451,538	7,708
C Murray	753	74	10%	81	11%	30%	71	9%	294	39%	12,009,775	15,949
A Domeyer	405	73	18%	79	20%	39%	56	14%	223	55%	6,529,413	16,122
K De Melo	563	70	12%	79	14%	34%	59	10%	260	46%	6,085,188	10,809

LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %

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trainer/ jockey	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	stakes	stks/ runs
DR Drier/A Marcus	26	11	42%	15	58%	47%	3	12%	660,175	25,391
A Nel/A Domeyer	78	25	32%	31	40%	58%	13	17%	1,634,150	20,951
J Ramsden/A Marcus	32	10	31%	17	53%	41%	5	16%	1,842,875	57,590
M Robinson/R Fourie	46	14	30%	16	35%	44%	8	17%	1,025,875	22,302
BJ Crawford/G Cheyne	70	20	29%	19	27%	63%	6	9%	4,271,000	61,014
PA Peter/G Lerena	49	14	29%	12	24%	25%	9	18%	1,194,800	24,384
JJ v Vuuren/G Lerena	54	15	28%	18	33%	56%	7	13%	2,812,050	52,075
GV Woodruff/G Lerena	60	16	27%	30	50%	43%	6	10%	2,828,175	47,136
AC Greeff/A Fortune	55	15	27%	17	31%	29%	4	7%	818,750	14,886
D Kannemeyer/A Delpech	125	33	26%	59	47%	34%	28	22%	2,517,300	20,138
GS Kotzen/R Fourie	124	32	26%	37	30%	46%	24	19%	3,125,450	25,205
MF de Kock/A Delpech	80	20	25%	32	40%	34%	11	14%	2,564,925	32,062
CS Laird/A Marcus	111	27	24%	42	38%	38%	8	7%	1,988,450	17,914
SG Tarry/P Strydom	55	13	24%	20	36%	40%	7	13%	1,117,300	20,315
AC Greeff/G Cheyne	289	63	22%	95	33%	27%	36	12%	3,770,275	13,046
RR Magner/G Lerena	56	12	21%	16	29%	38%	9	16%	933,575	16,671

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Oaks trainer Joe Soma still relies on his late father Gabby's words of guidance

Happy Landings

There are few more emotional personalities in the game than Saturday's Gr2 SA Oaks winning trainer, Joe Soma. The man who has fumbled with politics and betting in his quarter century of saddling winners, produced Wind Chill for a first Oaks success for Mayfair Speculators. Champions Day has been a memorable one for him and the Jooste silks. It was Soma who saddled their 55-1 Gr1 President's Champions Challenge hero Happy Landing in 2011. His best must still be Special Preview.



The 2016 SA Triple Crown winning jockey Karl Zechner rode a nice double on Champions Day

Magic Memories

Champions Day is a natural emotional landmark for 29yo Zimbabwe-born Karl Zechner. The man who joined the SA Jockey Academy in 2003 reached the pinnacle of his career on this day last year when Abashiri won the SA Triple Crown. Saturday proved a much more low-key affair for Zechner. But he still managed to ride a double. His elation when unsaddling Hermoso Mun-do for Weiho Marwing after winning the Gr3 Gold Bowl was tangible.



Mike de Kock and Piere Strydom are top of the tree in their individual professions and registered a great Guineas double with Silvano's son, Janoobi

**Guineas Double Glory**

They are world-class in their own right, but Mike de Kock and Piere 'Striker' Strydom don't team up often- and are not high on the charts with their win strike-rate. But after 'Striker' had the honour of notching De Kock's 3000th career winner on Janoobi in the Gauteng Guineas at the beginning of March, the same combination was back in action to win the Gr2 Daisy Guineas at

Greyville on Sunday. Strydom is a master of pace judgement and he was particularly pleased that De Kock's 'loyalty' had been rewarded. "When Janoobi pulled the 1 draw, I phoned for the ride and was given the nod," said the veteran champion rider.

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Saturday, 6 May****Course Variant: 0.38s fast (straight)
0.06s fast (bend)**

Off a penetrometer reading of 21 the official going was good. There had been no rain during the previous seven days and with just 6mm of irrigation the course was running fast. Times around the turn were naturally slower in comparison, as the false rail was out 6m in the back straight and 6.5m on the bend. There was a light northerly cross wind.

Gr1 Premier's Champion Challenge R4m**Help From Above**

Legal Eagle was looking to equal the 1967 feat of legendary Sea Cottage by defending his third Gr1 title in a season, and was a confident choice in most quarters after his Horse Chestnut Stakes success on 1 April. He didn't have things easy this time. Kept out wide as Stonehenge led Celtic Captain and Brazuca early, he was some way off the gallop turning for home.

Deo Juvente, who had been given a quiet ride at the back, took off at the same time at the 600m marker, from behind Legal Eagle. Then in a run for the wire, Craig Zackey produced Nother Russia with a big effort. In a thrilling finish, Murray stuck Deo Juvente's head down at the line to gain a head win over Legal Eagle and Nother Russia a neck back in third.

A winner of 5 races, with 12 places from 21 starts, Deo Juvente has earned R3.572.050 on his R500.000 price tag at the 2013 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale. He was bred by Northfields Stud, by Trippi out of ten-time winning Complete Warrior mare Circle Of Life.

Gr1 Premier's Champion Challenge 2000m

Winner Deo Juvente dwelt start; raced 8th of the nine; was 5th a neck behind Legal Eagle at 400m; ran on strongly. Runner-up Legal Eagle (best handicapped) raced 7th; was 4th one length off pace at 400m; ran on strongly; hanging. Nother Russia raced 4th; was level with Legal Eagle just one length off the pace at 400m; ran on.

Time: Although this was run faster than the only other 2000m race (the Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg), these were comparatively the slowest two races on the card. The pace was either slow or steady throughout, before turning into a sprint for home, which suggests that ratings may not hold up. We gave the third (prev 83/85/86/93/103) 103 which makes the winner (prev 102/91/98/91/97) 111 and the runner-up (prev 97/109/116/116/112) 113.

111	1	0.00	DEO JUVENTE	(7)	59.0	C Murray	25/1
5 b g Trippi - Circle Of Life (Complete Warrior)							
113	2	0.15	LEGAL EAGLE	(8)	60.0	A Marcus	8/10
5 b g Greys Inn - Young Sensation (National Emblem)							
103	3	0.20	NOTHER RUSSIA	(4)	55.5	C Zackey	5/1
4 ch f Tiger Ridge - Mother Russia (Windrush)							
103	4	3.25	French Navy	(3)	58.0	S Khumalo	7/1
106	5	3.75	Master Sabina	(6)	60.0	G Lerena	14/1
103	6	4.50	Brazuca	(5)	59.0	A Delpech	17/2
97	7	6.00	Juxtapose	(9)	57.5	C Maujean	55/1
96	8	7.00	Stonehenge	(1)	58.0	L Hewitson	80/1
95	9	7.25	Celtic Captain	(2)	58.0	W Kennedy	44/1
Time: 124.66s (62.33s avg/1000m, or 58km/h)							
SP Total %: 111%							
1st T:GV Woodruff O:Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) B:Northfields Stud							

Gr1 SA Nursery (2yo's) R1 million**Path To Glory**

Mustaaqem demolished his nine rivals to score a facile victory. Having romped home by seven lengths on debut in March, Sheikh Hamdan's galloper was way too good here. After taking a bump at the start, Murray had the long striding 2yo stalking the leaders and sent him for gold at the 400m. Mustaaqem lengthened his stride and drew away to win by four lengths, unchallenged. Stable mare Naafer was second, Wonderwall a further 2 lengths back in third. Dual stakes winner Barrack Street disappointed, 8 lengths behind.

The winner was bred in Australia at Arrowfield Stud, by Redoute's Choice out of seven-time winner National Colour – South Africa's champion 3yo filly and Horse of the Year in 2006. Mustaaqem was the third highest-priced lot at the 2016 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale on a bid of A\$1.75 million from Shadwell Australasia.

A winner of 2 from 2, Mustaaqem took his career earnings to R684.375. He is a full-brother to fellow Shadwell colour-bearer Rafeef, an A\$800.000 Easter Sale graduate in 2014, who won the Gr1 Computaform Sprint later in the day.

Gr1 SA Nursery (2yo's) 1160m

Winner Mustaaqem (2nd best handicapped) was bumped shortly after the start; raced 5th one length off the pace; led 400; drew clear in good style to remain unbeaten. Runner-up Naafer raced at the back, awkwardly placed between two runners at the 800m, but in a tightly bunched field was some 4 lengths off the pace; ran on; vet reported a respiratory noise.

Third Wonderwall raced 7th just two lengths off the pace; no impression.

Time: Comparatively, this was marginally the fastest of the five sprints, and the fastest race on the card. We gave the third horse (prev 78/81/87) 87 which makes the runner-up (prev 79/85) 93 and the winner (prev 94) 105.

105	1	0.00	MUSTAAQEEM	(8)	60.0	C Murray	1/1
2 b c Redoute's Choice - National Colour (National Assembly)							
93	2	4.00	NAAFER	(3)	60.0	A Delpech	7/1
2 b c Lonhro - Very Discreet(AUS) (Exceed And Excel)							
87	3	6.00	WONDERWALL	(5)	60.0	S Khumalo	32/10
2 b c Querari - Westwardly (Silvano)							
85	4	6.75	Whorly Whorly	(9)	60.0	A Fortune	30/1
83	5	7.50	Boatswain	(7)	60.0	G Lerena	44/1
81	6	8.00	Barrack Street	(6)	60.0	A Marcus	5/1
81	7	8.25	Quinlan	(10)	60.0	P Strydom	44/1
69	8	12.00	Laurent Du Var	(1)	60.0	C Zackey	30/1
66	9	13.25	Coastal Torrent	(2)	60.0	L Hewitson	66/1
66	10	13.30	Alex The Great	(4)	60.0	R Simons	66/1
Time: 65.8s (56.72s avg/1000m, or 63km/h)							
SP Total %: 117%							
1st T:MF de Kock O:Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum B:bred in Australia							

Gr1 SA Derby (3yo's) R2 million**Arrow On Target**

Gauteng Guineas and SA Classic runner-up Al Sahem made good in the final leg of the SA Triple Crown, demonstrating that things could have turned out quite differently had his trainer not faced a race against time in advance of the first leg. "We started on the backfoot initially and once again it all boils down to timing. We had him ready today and he showed us what he is capable of," said Tarry.

The race panned out beautifully for Delpech, who said "at the 1200m the pace came back to me and he did things so easily. He ran on well all the way to the line." Al Sahem galloped powerfully from Derby Trial winner Pagoda, with Heavenly Blue a one-paced third.

and he is likely to drift off the top of the July betting.

Al Sahem was bred by Al Adiyaat SA, by Silvano out of the three-time winning Al Mufti mare Alderry. He has won 3 races, with 2 places from 5 starts, and stakes of R1.972.500.

Gr2 SA Derby (3yo's) 2450m

Winner Al Sahem (2nd best handicapped) dwelt start; raced 4th; led 700m kept on strongly; shifted.

Runner-up Pagoda raced 5th; was third 2.5 lengths behind the winner at 400m; ran on. Third Heavenly Blue (best handicapped) raced sixth; was second 1.25 lengths behind winner at 400m; no impression; lost shoe.

Time: Run 0.7 seconds faster than the Oaks, the time was a decent one. However, the pace did slow in the middle of the race before turning into a sprint home. We gave the winner (prev 77/89/98/98) 98 which makes the runner-up (prev 81/76/77/81/91) 95 and the third (prev 96/102/87/95/103) 94.

98	1	0.00	AL SAHEM	(3)	60.0	A Delpech	7/2
3 b c Silvano - Alderry (Al Mufti)							
95	2	1.75	PAGODA	(1)	60.0	G Lerena	4/1
3 b g Mogok - Pascha (Wolffhound)							
94	3	2.75	HEAVENLY BLUE	(5)	60.0	C Murray	1/1
3 gr c Snitzel - Simply Carina(USA) (El Prado)							
85	4	8.00	Okavango Delta	(2)	60.0	L Hewitson	100/1
80	5	11.00	Captain At Sea	(6)	60.0	M v Rensburg	44/1
79	6	11.50	Lee's Pick	(8)	60.0	M Yeni	75/1
64	7	20.00	Furiosa	(4)	60.0	S Khumalo	8/1
41	8	34.00	King Of Blues	(7)	60.0	C Zackey	44/1
Time: 154.51s (63.07s avg/1000m, or 57km/h)							
SP Total %: 110%							
1st T:SG Tarry O:Al Adiyaat South Africa (Pty) Ltd B:Al Adiyaat							

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Gr1 Computaform Sprint R1 million**This Glitter Is All Gold**

After the 2yo Mustaaqem had skated home a few hours earlier to win the Gr1 SA Nursery, his 4yo full-brother Rafeef produced the goods to score a scintillating victory in the R1 million Gr1 Computaform Sprint. There was added sentiment after Rafeef's cracking victory as their illustrious dam National Colours won this race in 2006.

With accomplished Gr1 stablemates Trip To Heaven and Carry On Alice dominating the betting boards, the speed was on from the jump – but not before the former had lost his customary couple of lengths. But with Anton Marcus up, Trip To Heaven caught up quickly and was on the heels of his stablemate Carry On Alice as Cape challenger Jo's Bond and local speed lady Wrecking Ball cut out the fractions in front. At the 350m the race was wide open with Brutal Force looking for a gap and Carry On Alice galloping powerfully. Then Murray produced Rafeef with a scything run down the centre and the 4yo shot clear as the rest looked on. Talktothestars came from the clouds to get within a length, showing he's back again. The 22-10 favourite Carry On Alice hung on for third, just ahead of Brutal Force. Trip To Heaven paid the price for his catch-up performance and faded.

Australian-bred Rafeef is by Redoute's Choice out of SA Horse Of The Year National Colour, who won 7 of her 10 starts here. Rafeef was purchased by Shadwell Australia for A\$800.000 at the 2014 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale. He has won 6 races, with 3 places from 10 starts, and took his earnings total to R1.193.325.

Gr1 Computaform Sprint 1000m

Winner Rafeef raced sixth in what was always a very tightly bunched field just 1.5 lengths off the pace; led 100m; won well. Runner-up Talktothestars raced in midfield; 3 lengths off the pace at 400m; ran on very well late.

Third Carry On Alice (2nd best handicapped) raced handy; was third just a neck off the leader at 400m; no chance with winner.

Time: The only 1000m race on the card, this was comparatively the second fastest of the five sprint races, marginally slower than the SA Nursery won by Rafeef's full brother Mustaaqem.

We gave the 4th horse (prev 102/109/90/106/103) 106 which makes the winner (prev 90/92/94/104/97) 112, the runner-up (113/83/103/88/84/82) 107, and the third (prev 98/104/101/107/99) 101. This could arguably be a little higher (+3).

112	1	0.00	RAFEEF	(10)	60.0	C Murray	72/10
4 br c	Redoute's Choice - National Colour (National Assembly)						
107	2	1.30	TALKTOSTESTARS	(11)	60.0	C Maujean	50/1
5 b g	Overlord - Tellittothestars (Spaceship)						
101	3	1.60	CARRY ON ALICE	(12)	57.5	S Khumalo	22/10
5 b m	Captain Al - Carry On Katie (Western Winter)						
106	4	1.70	BRUTAL FORCE	(4)	60.0	P Strydom	10/1
95	5	2.50	WRECKING BALL	(5)	56.0	R Munger	45/1
100	6	3.00	ISCA	(6)	60.0	W Kennedy	55/1
98	7	3.50	TRIP TO HEAVEN	(7)	60.0	A Marcus	26/10
95	8	3.75	TRIPARINE	(7)	58.5	L Hewitson	20/1
97	9	3.80	DOING IT FOR DAN	(1)	60.0	K Zechner	45/1
91	10	3.90	JO'S BOND	(9)	57.5	R Fourie	14/1
93	11	4.90	SPLENDID GARDEN	(9)	60.0	JP vd Merwe	66/1
90	12	4.95	PILLAR OF HERCULES	(2)	58.5	A Delpech	36/1
88	13	6.00	DOLLAR DAZZLER	(14)	60.0	R Simons	36/1
82	14	6.30	ELUSIVENCHANTMENT	(8)	57.5	G Lerena	20/1
86	15	6.70	PIVOTAL PURSUIT	(13)	60.0	A Fortune	45/1
71	16	10.25	MOOFED	(3)	60.0	C Zackey	30/1

Time: 55.95s (55.95s avg/1000m, or 64km/h)
SP Total %: 117%
1st T:MF de Kock O:Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum B:bred in Australia

Gr2 SA Oaks (3yo Fillies) R1 million**Breezing Home**

Marcus had Wind Chill relaxed two from last as Royal Utopia led Costa Da Sol and the unsettled Captain Gambler. Wind Chill gradually moved up down the home straight and with only Oriental Oak chasing, she burst up the outside to beat the speedy finishing Oriental Oak by two. Royal Utopia stayed on well for third, a length in front of Bipot.

Marcus said that the winner had given him a good feeling. "She is small but very athletic. I didn't quite expect this. She won with a bit in hand – it's hard to say what she beat as she hasn't bumped the Cape fillies yet," he cautioned.

Wind Chill was bred by Maine Chance, by Silvano out of four-time winning Western Winter mare Wind In The Willows.

A R400.000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate, Wind Chill has won 3 races, with 5 places from 11 starts, for stakes of R826.575.

Gr2 SA Oaks (3yo Fillies) 2450m

Winner Wind Chill raced 8th; led 200m; won going away.

Runner-up Oriental Oak found support into 9/2 from 6/1; raced 7th; ran on.

Third Royal Utopia set pace; headed 600m; kept on strongly; vet reported respiratory noise.

Favourite Smiling Blue Eyes was always in the rear; nothing reported in stipes.

Time: The pace was fair, albeit that the race was comparatively a little slow. We gave the runner-up prev (71/73/77/88/91) 91 which makes the winner (prev 66/77/81/88/91) 95 and the third (prev 35/73/61/72/64) 91.

95	1	0.00	WIND CHILL	(8)	60.0	A Marcus	72/10
3 b f	Silvano - Windin The Willows (Western Winter)						
91	2	2.50	ORIENTAL OAK	(5)	60.0	A Fortune	9/2
3 b f	Silvano - Quickwood (Fort Wood)						
91	3	2.55	ROYAL UTOPIA	(6)	60.0	C Zackey	75/1
3 ch f	Ideal World - Queen's Bay (Fort Wood)						
90	4	3.25	BI POT	(2)	60.0	C Maujean	9/2
88	5	4.50	ORCHID ISLAND	(9)	60.0	A Delpech	5/1
87	6	5.00	CAPTAIN GAMBLER	(3)	60.0	R Fourie	16/1
84	7	7.00	BELLE ROSE	(1)	60.0	C Murray	7/1
81	8	8.50	COSTA DA SOL	(7)	60.0	W Kennedy	44/1
79	9	9.50	SMILING BLUE EYES	(10)	60.0	S Khumalo	37/10
72	10	14.00	EMERALD BAY	(11)	60.0	L Hewitson	55/1
61	11	20.00	PARABOLA	(4)	60.0	P Strydom	14/1

Time: 155.21s (63.35s avg/1000m, or 57km/h)
SP Total %: 117%
1st T:JA Soma O:Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) B:Maine Chance

Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery (2yo's) R400,000**Plain Sailing**

Recent Gr3 Pretty Polly Stakes winner Green Plains showed she is a filly with a future when she skipped clear late.

Daring Diva and Kissable (who'd hesitated at the start) led the way early, with Green Plains stalking them from a length off in third. Into the final 300m Green Plains asserted her authority and went on to score at the expense of Winter's Forge, who ran down the inside all on her own. Daring Diva stayed on for third, ahead of the winner's stablemate Desert Rhythm who made up good ground late for fourth.

A R350.000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate, Green Plains took her win tally to 3, from 4 starts with 1 place and stakes of R452.250.

Bred by Gary Player Stud, she is by Gimmethgreenlight out of the one-time winning Jet Master mare Savannah Leigh.

Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery (2yo's) 1160m

Winner Green Plains raced 4th; led 200m; won well.

Runner-up Winter's Forge dwelt start; raced 10th of the twelve; was 3 lengths behind winner at 400m; ran on.

Third Daring Diva (previously unbeaten in 3 starts – going beyond 1000m for the first time; best handicapped) set the pace; outrun latter stages.

Time: Although this was the second slowest of the five sprint races, the quicker ones were all feature races, and the time in itself was a good one. We gave the 5th (prev 66/76/72/78/84) 86 which makes the winner (prev 72/76/88) 95, the runner-up (prev 76) 92 and the third (prev 78/83/95) 89.

95	1	0.00	GREEN PLAINS	(7)	60.0	S Khumalo	61/10
2 b f	Gimmethgreenlight - Savannah Leigh (Jet Master)						
92	2	1.00	WINTER'S FORGE	(4)	60.0	C Maujean	30/1
2 b f	Western Winter - Forge Ahead (Parade Leader)						
89	3	2.25	DARING DIVA	(10)	60.0	A Fortune	41/10
2 b f	King of Kings - Delightful Diva (The Sheik)						
88	4	2.50	DESERT RHYTHM	(11)	60.0	R Fourie	20/1
86	5	3.25	STAR PHYLIA	(9)	60.0	JP vd Merwe	50/1
83	6	4.00	TWELVE OAKS	(6)	60.0	A Marcus	5/1
80	7	5.25	KISSABLE	(8)	60.0	R Simons	4/1
76	8	6.50	WINTER WATCH	(5)	60.0	G Lerena	25/1
71	9	8.25	FISH RIVER	(1)	60.0	C Murray	17/2
71	10	8.30	SILVER THURSDAY	(3)	60.0	A Delpech	5/1
56	11	13.00	OUTLANDER	(2)	60.0	C Zackey	50/1
44	12	17.00	PHILLYDELPHIA	(12)	60.0	L Hewitson	30/1

Time: 66.33s (57.18s avg/1000m, or 63km/h)
SP Total %: 117%
1st T:SG Tarry O:Mr C J H Van Niekerk B:Gary Player Stud

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BLACK TYPE RESULTS

Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg Stakes R400,000

Pretty Polly

Piere Strydom has formed a winning alliance with Jacaranda Handicap winner Polyphonic. Strydom had her loping along in third as Girl On The Run and The Centenary showed the way all around and into the home run. Strydom allowed Polyphonic to build up and with Girl On The Run drifting out slightly, the Varsfontein filly glided down the inside and went for broke. Randall Simons got Girl On The Run to rally strongly and come back at the leader, and there was little in it at the line. Trophy Wife stayed on for third, with Flying Ice fourth.

Bred by Varsfontein, Polyphonic is by Judpot out of six-time winning Royal Chalice mare Princess Polly, making her a 3-part sister to champion 2yo Along Came Polly. Polyphonic has now won 4 races, with 5 places from 15 starts, and stakes of R720.850.

Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg Stakes (F&M) 2000m

Winner Polyphonic (3rd best handicapped) had to ease off the heels of Girl On The Run shortly after the start; raced handy in third; led 300m; kept on strongly; won good battle with runner-up.

Runner-up Girl On The Run rolled in shortly after the start; set pace; just a neck separated the first two at 400m; ran on.

Third Trophy Wife (last year's winner – best handicapped) raced 6th; was four lengths off the pace at 400m; ran on strongly, and was gaining at the finish.

Time: Comparatively the slowest race on the card, there was no pace early and the race developed into a sprint. Ratings may not hold up for that reason. We gave the winner (prev 65/68/94/98/96) 98 which makes the runner-up (prev 76/59/80/85/90) 98 and the third (prev 101/92/84/92/96) 97.

98	1	0.00	POLYPHONIC	(6)	59.0	P Strydom	26/10
4 b f Judpot - Princess Polly (Royal Chalice)							
98	2	0.35	GIRL ON THE RUN	(8)	59.0	R Simons	17/2
4 ch f Silvano - Girl From Grenada (Badger Land)							
97	3	1.60	TROPHY WIFE	(4)	60.0	S Khumalo	32/10
5 b m Tiger Ridge - My Squeeza (Goldmark)							
97	4	1.90	Flying Ice	(9)	60.0	M v Rensburg	14/1
94	5	2.25	Zante	(2)	59.0	G Lerena	72/10
94	6	3.25	Intergalactic	(5)	60.0	A Delpech	12/1
86	7	6.50	The Centenary	(7)	59.0	JP vd Merwe	25/1
86	8	7.50	Heaps of Fun	(3)	60.0	L Hewitson	16/1
87	9	8.00	Al Hawraa	(10)	56.5	C Murray	61/10
81	10	9.00	Pennington Sands	(1)	59.0	C Zackey	30/1
0	11	99.99	Inanna	(11)	59.0	C Maujean	55/1

Time: 125.39s (62.7s avg/1000m, or 57km/h)

SP Total %: 117%

1st T:AG Laird O:Varsfontein Stud (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr J S Kalmanson)

B:Varsfontein Stud

Gr2 Camellia Stakes (F&M) R400,000

Range Rover

Joan Ranger made it back-to-back wins when benefitting from a well judged ride from Piere Strydom. After the late withdrawal of the favourite Exquisite Touch, the focus fell on to the consistent 3yo Green Pepper, but she had no answers when coming back.

Andrew Fortune looked to have burgled the race 300m from home as he went hard on Crystal Glamour, with the top-weight Joan Ranger taking her time to get going. At the 200m Joan Ranger got to Crystal Glamour, going on to win by a neck, hard ridden. Crown Of Roses held third ahead of Green Pepper.

Peter Van Schoor bred Joan Ranger, by Horse Chestnut out of the versatile six-time winning Rambo Dancer mare Fashion Edition. Joan Ranger has won 5 races, with 10 places from 20 starts, and stakes of R890.800.

Gr2 Camellia Stakes (F&M) 1160m

Winner Joan Ranger raced close up in 5th; led 180m; ran on strongly.

Runner-up Crystal Glamour raced in mid-field; was one length behind the winner at 400m; narrowly beaten; jockey Fortune was fined for hitting Crystal Glamour more than three times in consecutive strides.

Third Crown of Roses was stubborn loading; positioned 3rd at 400m; kept on strongly.

Time: This was comfortably the slowest of the five sprint races, run as the last of twelve races, and unlike the other sprints run under lights. We gave the runner up 86/92/98/87/93) 98 which makes the winner (prev 93/98/98/100/85) 101 and the third (prev 95/74/79/43/82) 94.

101	1	0.00	JOAN RANGER	(10)	60.0	P Strydom	7/1
4 b f Horse Chestnut - Fashion Edition (Rambo Dancer)							
98	2	0.20	CRYSTAL GLAMOUR	(2)	59.0	A Fortune	
10/14 b f Seventh Rock - Eastern Glamour (Fort Wood)							
94	3	1.30	CROWN OF ROSES	(5)	59.0	M v Rensburg	20/1
6 b m Tiger Ridge - Girolata (IRE) (Vettori)							
86	4	2.75	Green Pepper	(8)	57.5	R Simons	5/2
88	5	3.00	Tiger's Touch	(4)	59.0	L Hewitson	30/1
79	6	4.75	Just Vogue	(6)	57.5	W Kennedy	44/1
78	7	5.00	Jameson Girl	(7)	57.5	M Yeni	45/1
71	8	7.50	Samarra	(9)	59.0	C Murray	30/1
60	9	10.25	Lumya	(1)	59.0	R Fourie	30/1
56	10	11.50	Easy Game	(11)	59.0	K Zechner	30/1
44	11	14.00	Seattle Singer	(3)	57.5	C Zackey	16/1

Time: 66.88s (57.66s avg/1000m, or 62km/h)

SP Total %: 78%

1st T:M Houdalakis O:Mr P U Van Schoor B:PU Van Schoor

Gr3 Gold Bowl R500,000

It's A Beautiful World

Hermoso Mundo made it a winning debut for trainer Weiho Marwing when he stormed to his first stakes success. The former Alec Laird-trained gelding took to the 3200m like a fish to water, scoring a good win. He was relaxed in midfield as first Coby and then Savage Wind led the charge, in a race of fluctuating pace sectors. Into the 400m, Savage Wind continued to lead as Ilitshe, who had not enjoyed the tardy fractions early, moved up to challenge. Zechner was sitting with a double handful though and he slipped Hermoso Mundo through on the inside to take up the running and charge clear. Lions Emblem came through late for second, with the mare Coby third. The winner's more fancied stablemate Let It Rain was left with a mountain to climb from last into the home run and could only manage a modest fourth.

A R200.000 KZN Yearling Sale purchase, Hermoso Mundo was bred by Mauritzfontein. He's by Ideal World out of the ten time winner Escoleta Fitz (Fitzcarraldo) – an Equus champion who hails from the famous 'E' family. The gelding has now won 3 races, with 9 places from 18 starts, for stakes of R492.950.

Gr3 Gold Bowl 3200m

Winner Hermoso Mundo was having his first run for his new stable; found support into 6/1 from 12's; raced 7th; led 400m; drew clear easily.

Runner-up Lions Emblem raced fifth; no chance with winner.

Third Coby raced second; stayed on one pace

Time: Typically for a race of this nature, the pace was a steady one throughout, and the overall time was literally on the average. We gave the third (prev 76/79/85/79/57)

79 which makes the winner (prev 76/76/67/76/70) 82 and the runner up (prev 91/81/48/62/55/68) 80

82	1	0.00	HERMOSO MUNDO	(2)	53.0	K Zechner	61/10
4 b Ideal World - Escoleta Fitz (ARG) (Fitzcarraldo)							
80	2	5.25	LIONS EMBLEM	(6)	55.5	R Fourie	16/1
6 b g Lion Tamer - Model Emblem (National Emblem)							
79	3	5.50	COBY	(13)	55.5	C Zackey	25/1
6 b m A P Arrow - Dignify (Rambo Dancer)							
76	4	5.75	Let It Rain	(11)	54.0	M v Rensburg	9/2
74	5	8.50	Ilitshe	(12)	55.0	A Delpech	41/10
67	6	9.00	Supertube	(3)	52.5	C Maujean	14/1
68	7	9.75	Savage Wind	(5)	53.5	S Khumalo	25/1
65	8	10.00	Sergeant Pepper	(8)	52.0	L Hewitson	50/1
64	9	10.50	Fortune Fella	(10)	52.0	M Yeni	12/1
81	10	11.25	Storm Warning	(4)	60.0	G Lerena	14/1
68	11	14.00	Smart Mart	(9)	56.0	C Murray	17/2
57	12	16.00	Woody Cape	(7)	52.5	R Munger	36/1
0	13	99.99	Kanonkop	(1)	52.0	JP vd Merwe	8/1
0	14	99.99	Night Shadow	(14)	56.0	W Kennedy	16/1

Time: 207.85s (64.95s avg/1000m, or 55km/h)

SP Total %: 119%

1st T:WH Marwing O:Messrs N C Smith, G D Cahn, G Morris, Neil

Patrick Smith, S Singleton & W Volschenk B:Mauritzfontein Stud

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Champions Day, Turffontein

The MR72 handicap over a mile was run at a good pace, particularly in the middle. This shows up some of the other races as false run.

The Premier's Challenge was a joke, with pace setter Stonehenge chopping and changing the pace. From going faster early than the Gerald Rosenberg, the pace had slowed by a second at the 400m, after which there was a mad scramble for home. The winner just got lucky.

The same goes for the Gerald Rosenberg, although to a somewhat lesser degree.

The Derby was quick early, then slowed dramatically, resulting in a sprint finish.

The Oaks pace was moderate and also decided in a sprint home.

1600m	bend	pipe	pole	FRail	400	finish	pole-FR	400-fin
MR95	11.38	20.74	----	56.61	73.78	97.59	----	23.81
MR72	----	20.36	26.83	54.58	73.24	97.31	27.75	24.07

2000m								
Gr1 Champion Ch.	36.20	46.68	54.55	85.36	102.55	125.13	30.81	22.58
Gr2 Gerald R.	----	47.62	54.93	84.22	101.96	125.63	29.29	23.67

2450m								
Gr2 Oaks	64.83	76.33	83.49	114.08	132.18	155.90	30.59	23.72
Gr1 Derby	63.86	74.89	82.91	114.23	131.91	154.90	31.32	22.99

3200m								
Gold Bowl	116.90	128.12	135.15	166.21	184.53	208.66	31.06	24.13

Note: due to the camera angles some of the usual markers were not visible. For interest and comparison purposes we added the start of the bend at the end of the back straight. and a pipe hole which is located approximately 50m before the pole that we normally use. The false rail was at 700m.

Guineas Day, Greyville

The Fillies Guineas was totally false run, a doddle early on and a sprint home, which suited the winner.

The Guineas was run on a par with the Middle Stakes early on, after which they quickened up from around the 600m.

1400m	1000m	600pp	FRail	finish	1000-FR	FR-finish
Gr2 Drill Hall S.	23.64	43.77	56.70	82.22	33.06	25.52

1600m						
Middle Stakes	34.21	55.17	68.58	95.13	34.37	26.55
Gr2 Fillies Guineas	35.36	56.89	70.21	95.49	34.85	25.28
Gr2 Guineas	34.16	55.05	67.97	94.28	33.81	26.31

Note: 1000m is the 1000m marker; 600pp is the 600m marker on the polytrack (this is always in sight). The camera angle changed on or close to the false rail mark in all of the races.

SCORE CARD

How horses performed in South Africa's black type races, expressed in points based on the kind of races and how far behind the winner they finished.

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TOP SCORERS for 2016/2017

(to 7 May 2017)

horse	age sex	points	aces
Legal Eagle	5 c	334	5
Carry On Alice	5 f	152	4
Rafeef	4 c	150	2
Whisky Baron	4 c	150	2
Deo Juventa	5 c	117	2
Master Sabina	7 c	112	2
New Predator	4 c	106	5
Captain America	6 c	106	4
Marinaresco	4 c	98	4
Trip To Heaven	5 c	97	2
Safe Harbour	3 f	96	3
Al Sahem	3 c	89	3
Nightingale	4 f	84	2
Heavenly Blue	3 c	82	3
Kangaroo Jack	4 c	82	3
Gold Standard	3 c	82	3
Edict Of Nantes	3 c	81	2
Nother Russia	4 f	73	2
Orchid Island	3 f	70	1
Just Sensual	3 f	70	1
Bela-Bela	4 f	70	1
William Longsword	3 c	70	1
Mustaaqem	2 c	70	1
Jo's Bond	4 f	68	2
Janoobi	3 c	60	2
Wrecking Ball	3 f	55	3
Bezanova	6 c	50	1
Champagne Haze	4 c	50	1
Brazuca	4 c	50	1
Search Party	4 c	50	1
Icy Trail	4 c	50	1
Red Ray	6 c	46	1
French Navy	5 c	44	2
Saratoga Dancer	5 c	43	2
Star Express	4 f	42	2
Polyphonic	4 f	41	2
Talktothestars	5 c	37	1
The Conglomerate	5 c	37	1
Silver Mountain	4 f	34	2
Master Switch	5 c	34	1

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date	close	high	low	volume
10May	2050	2100	2050	46,901
9May	2052	2095	2052	6,510
8May	2050	2120	2050	6,097
5May	2125	2125	2125	15
4May	2150	2150	2150	0
3May	2150	2150	2000	608
2May	2185	2220	2185	10,925
28Apr	2185	2185	2100	286,742
26Apr	2100	2100	2000	114
25Apr	2120	2120	2120	118

BLACK TYPE RESULTS

GREYVILLE (turf)**Sunday, 7 May****Course Variant: 0.45s fast**

Rain and irrigation totalled just 3mm in the seven days leading up to this meeting. It was no surprise then to see the going posted as good, off a penetrometer reading of 21. The false rail was out 3.5m, but this was negated in terms of times as there was a 22km/h southerly tail wind.

Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas (3yo's) R500,000**Hit For Six**

Gimme Six maintained her unbeaten KZN record when she outsprinted her opposition over the Greyville turf-mile. Anthony Delpech had Gimme Six settled 4 lengths off the leaders as A Womens Way led Final Judgement into the straight. Angled out for her run Gimme Six made up the ground steadily, to win going away. She beat Final Judgement by over a length, with Sail third.

Winning jockey Anthony Delpech described Gimme Six as 'a top filly'. "Justin (Snaith) had her spot on and we have been fortunate. Last year we had Bela-Bela and now Gimme Six. I reckon her major asset is her blistering turn of foot. They went slow and it suited me. I think she will get further," he added.

Bred by a partnership comprising Hemel 'n Aarde Stud, Ken Truter and Nadeson Park, Gimme Six is by Gimmetheregreenlight out of Mujadil mare District Six, who won over 1200m at 2 in Ireland, and over a mile in South Africa. She is a R500 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale graduate, and has won 4 races with 4 places from 9 starts for stakes of R634.600.

Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas (3yo's) 1600m

Winner Gimme Six race 5th; led 250m; won going away.
Runner-up Final Judgement (3rd best handicapped) was always handy; led 500m; outpaced by winner.
Third Sail (2nd best handicapped) raced 6th; stayed on.

Time: The slowest of the three 1600m races, the outcome was decided in a sprint finish. Ratings will not be reliable. We gave the second (prev 93/90/95/93/93) 95 which makes the winner (prev 85/71/87/90/90) 98 and the third (prev 96/92/93/90/91) 92.

98	1	0.00	GIMME SIX	(7)	60.0	A Delpech	32/10
3 b f Gimmetheregreenlight - District Six(IRE) (Mujadil)							
95	2	1.50	FINAL JUDGEMENT	(5)	60.0	R Fourie	7/2
3 ch f Judpot - Final Claim (Proclaim)							
92	3	2.75	SAIL	(2)	60.0	S Veale	21/2
3 b f Philanthropist - Cutty Sark (Fort Wood)							
90	4	3.75	Al Danza	(4)	60.0	G Lerena	12/1
89	5	4.25	Visuality	(3)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	36/1
89	6	4.50	Ektifa'a	(6)	60.0	C Murray	5/1
88	7	4.55	Dawn Calling	(9)	60.0	K De Melo	14/1
88	8	4.70	Lady Of the House	(8)	60.0	A Marcus	59/10
74	10	10.95	A Womens Way	(1)	60.0	P Strydom	14/1
67	11	14.45	The High Life	(10)	60.0	I Sturgeon	25/1
Time: 96.39s (60.24s avg/1000m, or 60km/h)							
SP Total %: 113%							
1st T:J Snaith O:Messrs H Adams & K P Truter & Mrs Jane Truter							
B:Hemel 'n Aarde Stud & K P Truter & Nadeson Park							

Gr2 Daisy Guineas (3yo's) R600,000**This And No Further**

Janoobi's only previous away run from Gauteng had been a fourth to William Longsword in the false run CTS Mile on Sun Met day. Strydom said he had felt that Janoobi would enjoy Greyville and when he saw him draw barrier gate 1 he phoned for the ride.

With the colt pulling and throwing his head about all the way round, Strydom made his move at the top of the Greyville straight and went on best to hold the persistent Secret Captain by almost 2 lengths. Zodiac Ruler was third ahead of his more fancied stablemate Copper Force. Horizon appeared to have every chance but could only manage a five length seventh.

Strydom admitted afterwards that he was surprised when Janoobi kicked in the straight. "He pulled me the whole way and never relaxed. But he has lots of class, and he is talented" he added.

A R1.2 million Cape Premier Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate, Janoobi has won 5 races, with 2 places from 11 starts, for stakes of R1.982.500. Bred by Maine Chance Farms, he is by Silvano out of the unraced Rakeen mare Shasta Daisy (who is half sister to international sprint filly Scented Samantha), making him a full brother to miler Silver Scooter (not tried further) and sprinter Sedge. Questioned by the post-race interviewer as to whether Janoobi would stay the Vodacom Durban July trip, Strydom unhesitatingly said 'no'.

Gr2 Daisy Guineas (3yo's) 1600m

Winner Janoobi (2nd best handicapped) set the pace three lengths clear; kept up a good pace throughout; won well.
Runner-up Secret Captain raced fifth; ran on; hanging.
Third Zodiac Ruler raced fourth; ran on, but no chance with winner.
Favourite Horizon dwelt start; raced in rear; lost shoe; never a threat and appeared one-paced.

Time: This was by far the fastest of the three 1600m races and comparatively the fastest race on the card. We gave the winner (prev 98/92/97/98/68) 98, which makes the runner-up (prev 78/75/90/90/84) 95 and the third (prev 95/83/83/94/93) 94.

98	1	0.00	JANOObI	(1)	60.0	P Strydom	5/1
3 c Silvano - Shasta Daisy (Rakeen)							
95	2	1.75	SECRET CAPTAIN	(9)	60.0	K De Melo	30/1
3 gr c Captain Al - Mystic Spring(IRE) (Royal Academy)							
94	3	1.90	ZODIAC RULER	(5)	60.0	R Fourie	9/2
3 b g Zoffany - Sybarite(AUS) (Last Tycoon)							
94	4	2.00	Copper Force	(4)	60.0	A Delpech	41/10
93	5	2.50	Africa Rising	(3)	60.0	L Hewitson	7/1
88	6	4.75	Matador Man	(10)	60.0	A Marcus	14/1
88	7	4.80	Horizon	(7)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	37/10
83	8	6.80	Gingerbread Man	(8)	60.0	C Zackey	55/1
83	9	7.05	Summer Sky	(2)	60.0	G Lerena	14/1
82	10	7.30	Gunner	(12)	60.0	I Sturgeon	44/1
81	11	7.80	Gimme The Stars	(11)	60.0	K Zechner	30/1
79	12	9.05	Mess	(6)	60.0	M Byleveld	75/1
Time: 95.27s (59.54s avg/1000m, or 60km/h)							
SP Total %: 113%							
1st T:MF de Kock O:Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum B:Maine Chance							

Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes R500,000**Drill Hall Thriller**

Last year's Vodacom Durban July runner-up Marinaresco scored a dramatic victory, as at the 250m marker any one of six horses had looked to have winning chances.

Sail South and Champagne Haze ensured a healthy pace early, with Marinaresco in midfield and switched to the inside as they came for home.

With the leaders tiring at the 400m, MJ Byleveld sent Victorious Jay for home, with New Predator looming large down the outside. At the 200m it looked like Jay, with Saratoga Dancer and Marinaresco looking for place cheques. But sandwiched between Saratoga Dancer on the rail and Victorious Jay on the outside, Marinaresco put his head down at just the right moment. Victorious Jay and Saratoga Dancer filled the places, the trio separated by noses. Just over one length covered the first seven horses home.

Bred by Mauritzfontein Stud, Marinaresco is by Silvano out of two-time winning Fort Wood mare Gay Fortuna. He was a 2014 BSA National Yearling Sale graduate, bought by Mike Bass Racing for R1.3 million. He has now won 5 races, with 9 places from 16 starts, for stakes of R2.585.425.

Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes 1400m

Winner Marinaresco raced 8th; ran on strongly; got the verdict on the nod, in a race where less than half a length separated the first six home.

Runner-up Victorious Jay raced 4th; led 150m; piped on post.

Third Saratoga Dancer dwelt start; raced 9th; ran on; hanging; just beaten.

Time: Comparatively this was the second fastest race on the card. We gave the third horse (prev 101/90/99/91/93) 101 which makes the runner-up (prev 72/101/91/94/105) 101 and the winner (prev 105/100/109/109/110) 105.

105	1	0.00	MARINARESCO	(6)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	7/1
4 b g Silvano - Gay Fortuna (Fort Wood)							
101	2	0.05	VICTORIOUS JAY	(1)	58.0	M Byleveld	25/1
4 b g Jay Peg - Rub A Dub Dub (Jallad)							
101	3	0.10	SARATOGA DANCER	(5)	58.0	C Zackey	
25/15 b g Mambo In Seattle - Super Elle (Model Man)							
102	4	0.35	New Predator	(3)	59.0	G Lerena	37/10
102	5	0.40	Captain America	(4)	59.0	C Orffer	37/10
100	6	0.45	Sail South	(11)	58.0	R Fourie	17/2
97	7	1.20	Bulleting Home	(9)	58.0	P Strydom	16/1
96	8	2.45	Champagne Haze	(2)	59.0	A Fortune	17/2
93	9	2.70	Baritone	(7)	58.0	C Murray	16/1
95	10	2.75	Black Arthur	(12)	59.0	A Delpech	72/10
92	11	3.00	No Worries	(13)	58.0	W Kennedy	55/1
91	12	3.25	Budapest	(14)	58.0	A Forbes	66/1
85	13	5.25	Kingvoldt	(8)	58.0	K Zechner	66/1
64	14	12.25	Ten Gun Salute	(10)	58.0	K De Melo	25/1
Time: 82.55s (58.96s avg/1000m, or 61km/h)							
SP Total %: 116%							
1st T:C Bass-Robinson O:Messrs M W Bass, F Green, Bryn Ressel & N M Shirliff B:Mauritzfontein Stud							

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BLACK TYPE RESULTS

KENILWORTH (new)
Saturday, 6 May**Course Variant: 1.00s fast (straight)**

Unlike the summer season when the southerly headwinds dominate the times, there was a 29km/h north westerly tail wind here. This resulted in the course running fast down the straight. However, with the tail wind becoming a head wind in the back straight and the false rail out 4m, the times of races around the turn were much slower in comparison.

Perfect Promise Spr. (2yoF)(L) R125,000**Magic Of Winter**

Magical Wonderland was produced late from off the pace to maintain her unbeaten record and hold off Too Phat To Fly by a length. Rose In Bloom stayed on well back in third.

A R450 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale graduate, the Maine Chance bred Magical Wonderland is by What A Winter out of the unraced Al Mufti mare Magical Miss. She made it a perfect 2 from 2 and took her stakes to R128.125.

Perfect Promise Sprint (2yoF)(L) 1200m

Winner Magical Wonderland raced 6th; baulked for a run 400m; saw daylight 250m; led 150m; won well.

Runner-up Too Phat To Fly raced 7th ran on. Third Rose In Bloom raced 5th; ran on.

Time: This was the third fastest of the five sprints, but a fair time in its own right. We gave the third (prev 79/80/84) 80 which makes the winner (prev 74) 86 and the runner-up (prev 76) 84.

86	1	0.00	MAGICAL WONDERLAND	(8)	60.0	A Domeyer	14/10
19/102	b f	What A Winter - Magical Miss (Al Mufti)					
84	2	1.00	TOO PHAT TO FLY	(6)	60.0	G v Niekerk	61/10
2	b f	Bezrin - Sheisachillygirl (Jallad)					
80	3	2.25	ROSE IN BLOOM	(1)	60.0	J Bekker	17/2
2	b f	Gimmetheregreenlight - Raise The Bar (Goldkeeper)					
78	4	3.25	Nanna Anna	(5)	60.0	C Orffer	25/1
66	5	6.00	Angel's Trumpet	(4)	58.0	B Fayd'herbe	72/10
67	6	7.25	Raya Baya	(2)	60.0	G Cheyne	4/1
65	7	7.75	Regal Ruby	(3)	60.0	M Byleveld	14/1
51	8	13.00	Lily Theresa	(7)	60.0	D Dillon	17/2

Time: 70.87s (59.06s avg/1000m, or 61km/h)
SP Total %: 112%
1st T:C Bass-Robinson O:Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) & Messrs Bryn Ressel & N M Shirliff B:Maine Chance

Somerset 1200 (2yo's)(Listed) R125,000**Going Dutch**

Dutch Philip was the only two-time winner in the six horse sprint, which included three raced maidens. Aldo Domeyer had the colt relaxed at his first try over 1200m and when asked for an effort at the 300m, he stretched to win easily by a length. Kasimir ran green and then switched in late to grab second. Zodiac Jack showed plenty of pace but was well beaten into third.

Dutch Philip made it 3 wins with 1 place (a feature) from his 4 starts, for stakes of R191.875.

A R460 000 CTS March Yearling Sale graduate, he was bred by Rex Stud, out of the versatile five-time winning Dominion Royale mare, Uppity Ann.

Somerset 1200 (2yo's)(Listed) 1200m

Winner Dutch Philip (2nd best handicapped) raced 4th of the six, but no more than a length off the pace at 500m; led 300m; pushed out; won well.

Runner-up Kasimir (3rd best handicapped) raced 3rd; chased hard; returned blowing. Third Zodiac Jack set the pace; outpaced by first two.

Time: This was the fastest of the afternoon's five sprint races. We gave the winner (prev 82/91/94) 94 which makes the runner-up (prev 86/76) 83 and third (prev 60/79/77/82) 78.

94	1	0.00	DUTCH PHILIP	(1)	60.0	A Domeyer	14/10
2	b c	What A Winter - Uppity Ann (Dominion Royale)					
83	2	1.00	KASIMIR	(2)	56.0	G Cheyne	12/10
2	b c	Captain Al - Aquatint(AUS) (Peintre Celebre)					
78	3	4.25	ZODIAC JACK	(3)	58.0	B Fayd'herbe	16/1
2	b c	Just As Well - Pisces Star (Kahal)					
75	4	5.50	Pen-Chan	(5)	58.0	A Andrews	25/1
67	5	6.75	Captain Ram	(4)	56.0	C Orffer	14/1
66	6	7.15	Victorious Captain	(6)	56.0	M Byleveld	25/1

Time: 70.5s (58.75s avg/1000m, or 61km/h)
SP Total %: 107%
1st T:C Bass-Robinson O:Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) & Messrs Bryn Ressel & N M Shirliff B:Rex Stud

DIGEST DIARY

Features To Come

Sat 20 May **(L) Syringa Hcp** (F&M)
1600m Turffontein (I)

Gr3 Winter Classic (3yo's)
1800m Kenilworth

(L) Olympic Duel S. (F&M)
1200m Kenilworth

(L) Stormsvlei Mile (3yoF)
1600m Kenilworth

Sun 21 May **Gr2 Betting World 1900**
1900m Greyville (P/T)

(L) East Coast Cup (F&M)
2000m Greyville (P/T)

Fri 26 May **(L) Glenlair Trophy**
3200m Fair (T)

Sat 27 May **Gr1 Tsogo Sun Sprint** (3yo's)
1200m Scottsville

Gr1 COP Fillies Sprint (F&M)
1200m Scottsville

Gr1 Gold Medallion (2yo's)
1200m Scottsville

Gr1 Allan Robertson Championship (2yoF)
1200m Scottsville

Gr3 Cape Of Good Hope Nursery (2yo's)
1200m Kenilworth

(L) Kenilworth Fillies Nursery
1200m Kenilworth

Sat 3 June **Gr1 Daily News 2000** (3yo's)
2000m Greyville (P/T)

Gr1 Woolavington 2000 (3yoF)
2000m Greyville (P/T)

Gr3 Lonsdale Stirrup Cup
2400m Greyville (P/T)

Fri 9 June **(L) Lady Slipper S.** (2yoF)
1400m Fairview (T)

Sat 10 June **Gr1 Rising Sun Gold Chall.**
1600m Grey (P/T)

Gr2 Tibouchina Stakes (F&M)
1400m Grey (P/T)

Gr3 Cup Trial
1800m Grey (P/T)

(L) Gatecrasher Stakes (2yo's)
1400m Grey (P/T)

(L) Devon Air Stakes (2yoF)
1400m Grey (P/T)

KZN Winter Challenge 1200
1200m Grey (P/T)

KZN Winter Challenge 1600
1600m Grey (P/T)

KZN Winter Challenge 2000
2000m Grey (P/T)

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FRIDAY 16 JUNE,

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1st & 2nd season sires - 2yo's

AWAIT THE DAWN (Giant's Causeway)

Await The Day 2f (Full Term by Lecture)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Morning Catch 2c (Catch The Wind by Jet Master)

[Kenilworth 6 Somerset 1200 \(2yo's\)\(Listed 1200m \(06/05\)\)](#)

ASCOT STUD STALLION

BOLD SILVANO (Silvano)

Pepper Dust 2f (Pepper Belle by National Assembly)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Star Profile 2f (West Wacker by Western Winter)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

BYWORD (Peintre Celebre)

Camphoratus 2f (Wild Camphor by Horse Chestnut)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

CRUSADE freshman sire **Scott Bros.**

CRUSADE (Johannesburg)

Brave Endeavour 2c (Hermana by Qui Danzig)

[Fairview 7 MR 64 Handicap \(Turf\) 1400m \(05/05\)](#)

Weekend Warrior 2c (Love Leah by Restructure)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

Epic Sword 2c (Silver Moon by Model Man)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

DAN DE LAGO (Encosta de Lago)

Run For Your Life 2c (Thecatcanrun by Tale of the Cat)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

GIMMETHGREENLIGHT (More Than Ready)

Klawerkate 2f (Eradikate by Parade Leader)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Masgegede 2f (Dear Sissy by Unknown)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Green Plains 2f (Savannah Leigh by Jet Master)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Rose In Bloom 2f (Raise The Bar by Goldkeeper)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

Green Lily 2f (Wild Lyric by Western Winter)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

IRISH FLAME (Dynasty)

Ghost Flame 2f (Invisible Arrow by Hussonet)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

MAIN AIM (Oasis Dream)

Mainly Me 2c (Merlene by Shalford)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Leslie Shadowliner 2c (Daisy Delux by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

MARCHFIELD (A P Indy)

Green Field 2c (Jade Empress by National Assembly)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Man From Seattle 2c (Western Revival by Zafonic)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

ORATORIO Sire of international Gr1 winners • AVONTUUR

ORATORIO (Danehill)

Arabian Passion 2c (National Arabian by National Assembly)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

HIGHLANDS Stallion • **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

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Bella Cavallo 2f (Lizzy's Grace by Tara's Halls)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Twelve Oaks 2f (Land Of Wilkes by Diesis)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Bedazzled Joker 2c (Sapphire Silk by Windrush)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

Tweed Valley 2f (Brora by Right Approach)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

PHILANTHROPIST (Kris S)

Outlander 2f (Zili by Parade Leader)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

WHAT A WINTER (Western Winter)

Arctic Rush 2f (Miss Micky by Jet Master)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Cape Xtreme 2c (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

Fancifilly 2f (Sublimity by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Dutch Philip 2c (Upity Ann by Dominion Royale)

[Kenilworth 6 Somerset 1200 \(2yo's\)\(Listed 1200m \(06/05\)\)](#)

Nanna Anna 2f (La Special by Special Preview)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

Magical Wonderland 2f (Magical Miss by Al Mufti)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

2nd season sires - 3yo's

DAN DE LAGO (Encosta de Lago)

Yourmyworld 3f (Cozy Corner by Rambo Dancer)

[Kenilworth 1 Workrider's Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

GIMMETHGREENLIGHT (More Than Ready)

Aunt Polly 3f (Perfect Polly by Model Man)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(06/05\)](#)

Green Pepper 3f (Pimento by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 12 Gr2 Camellia Stakes \(F&M\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Gimme Six 3f (District Six by Mujadil)

[Greyville 6 Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Gimme The Stars 3c (Cosmic Jet by Jet Master)

[Greyville 7 Gr2 Daisy Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Gunner 3c (Play Nice by Captain Al)

[Greyville 7 Gr2 Daisy Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Land Of The Gods 3c (Woodland Spirit by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

SIGNPOSTS

SUMMERHILL stallion • from the Champion Breeders

GOLDEN SWORD (High Chaparral)

Belle Rose 3f (Vin Fizz by Qui Danzig)

[Turffontein 6 Gr2 SA Oaks \(3yo Fillies\) 2450m \(06/05\)](#)

MAIN AIM (Oasis Dream)

Aim For Glory 3c (Antonia's Law by National Assembly)

[Fairview 8 MR 72 Handicap \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Madiba Dance 3c (Sovereign Beat by National Emblem)

[Fairview 8 MR 72 Handicap \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

MEET AT MALAMALA (Western Winter)

Hokanui 3c (Call For Caviar by Russian Revival)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

HIGHLANDS Stallion • **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

PATHFORK (Distorted Humor)

Silken Summer 3f (Dancing Summer by Mr Greeley)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

PHILANTHROPIST (Kris S)

Hour Glass 3f (Time Piece by Elliodor)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

No Doubt 3f (Trinity House by Captain Al)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1600m \(05/05\)](#)

Lee's Pick 3c (Boreal Applause by Royal Applause)

[Turffontein 7 Gr1 SA Derby \(3yo's\) 2450m \(06/05\)](#)

Flash Fire 3f (La Rosita by Fasliyev)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\) 1600m \(06/05\)](#)

Sail 3f (Cutty Sark by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 6 Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Notable Maiden Winners

BRAVE TIN SOLDIER

Rated AR 82 BRAVE MARY (2f Mary Lou by Rich Man's Gold) Maiden Juvenile Plate Vaal outside (1000m) (9/5)

A close up fifth to last Saturday's Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery runner-up Winter's Forge in her penultimate outing, Paul Matchett's charge found good support here. Always handy, she took up the running at the halfway mark, and only having to be pushed out, won going away by six and a half lengths. She'll improve on her rating, probably in sprints: her dam Mary Lou was a sprinter, rated AR 99 (MR 103).

MAIN AIM

Rated AR 80 LESLIE SHADOWLINER (2g Daisy Delux by Fort Wood)

Maiden Plate Greyville turf (1200m) (7/5)

Making his debut in open company here, Robbie Hill's 2yo was backed into 22/10 favourite from 11/2. He was carried inwards shortly after the start, but despite that, was soon up handy. He put his head in front 150m out and won going away by two and three quarters. He's not certain to stay much further. His dam won up to 2000m and is half sister to KZN Derby winner Royal Land, but Main Aim was a 1200/1400m horse who just got a mile.

Horses To Follow

REDOUTE'S CHOICE

Rated AR 105 MUSTAAQEEM (2c National Colour by National Assembly)

Gr1 SA Nursery (2yo's) Turffontein stand side (1160m) (6/5)

An impressive winner in the maiden ranks when cruising in by seven in his only previous racecourse appearance, Mike De Kock's charge was sent off a strong even money favourite here. Soon positioned close to the speed, this son of champion sprint filly National Colour was ridden to lead going through the 400m and again shot clear to win in impression fashion by four. Already highly rated, he could be anything.

WESTERN WINTER

Rated AR 85 STARRETT CITY (4g Strawberry Lane by Jallad)

MR72 Handicap Turffontein stand side (1600m) (6/5)

In what comparatively was the fastest of the seven races around the turn on this Champions Day card (which also included Derby and Oaks), Geoff Woodruff's charge sat in midfield for most of the journey. He quickened nicely over the final 500m, and after striking the front 250m out won going away by five. Starrett City has now won three from ten starts, and as a 4yo is still relatively lightly raced. This was by far a career-best effort for the gelding.

GIMMETHEGREENLIGHT

Rated AR 98 GIMME SIX (3f District Six by Mujadil)

Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas (3yo's) Greyville turf (1600m) (7/5)

A winner of four races from nine starts coming into the race, Justin Snaith's charge has been progressing very nicely since returning from a short break in January. She raced closer to the pace than normal in what proved to be a slowly run affair, and showing a nice turn of foot in the short home straight, she ran on well to score by a length and a half.

Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Mustaaqeem (AUS) 2c Redoute's Choice - National Colour (National Assembly)

Gr1 SA Nursery (2yo's) - Turffontein 1160m (06/05)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Rafeef (AUS) 4c Redoute's Choice- National Colour (National Assembly)

Gr1 Computaform Sprint - Turffontein 1000m (06/05)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Trojan Harbour (AUS) 2c Harbour Watch- Salma(AUS) (Encosta de Lago) Greyville 1000m (07/05)

Is Your Horse One To Follow?

Check the **Notable Maiden Winners & Horses for the Notebook** on this page

- see how promising the Sporting Post **ability ratings (AR)** say they are.

CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

Preparing For Battle

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEED RATINGS

Bang On Target

Turffontein 1 May

They raced on the inner track on Monday where three of the nine races were staged over 1600m. The fastest of these was the bill topping MR88 Handicap in which the A P Arrow gelding TOP SHOT registered his sixth career victory. Shouldering top weight of 60kg, Gary Alexander's charge was always handy. He ran on strongly in the short home straight and won by just over a half from the 3yo RAYDAVERIC.

Very unusually they ran two events over 1500m also. The faster of these was the MR84 Handicap won by the lightly raced SIMPLY ROYAL. Making just her third race-course appearance here, Sean Tarry's charge adopted a change of tactics and raced from the front. Just three quarters of a length clear for most of the journey, she quickened well as they came off the strip, and despite the efforts of the running on SAMARRA, she won going away by three and a quarter.

They also ran two races over 1200m and stopping the clock in the fastest time here was the veteran TELL MY STAR. Drawn in pole position St John Gray's charge was soon positioned close to the speed. She put her head in front going through the 300m and comfortably accounted for the running on TIMEOFTHEVIKINGS by a length and a half. The runner up came from the rear and finished well.

Titbits *A little slow into stride when the gates opened, the 3yo JO MAMBO ran on well from midfield and won the MR68 Handicap over 1500m going away.*

Out Of Favour

Vaal 2 May

Three maiden plates over 1200m got proceedings underway at Tuesday's outside track meeting and quickest home in these was the well-tried MIRAFLORES in the girls' division. Making her seventeenth racecourse appearance here, the daughter of Miesque's Approval was always handy. She ran on strongly at the business end of the race and in a thrilling three way finish she got up late to deny the front running CLAREMORRIS.

They also ran three races over 1600m and fastest against the clock here was AQUABUOY

in the first division of the MR66 Handicap. Allowed to ease right out to 17/2 from 9/2 at the track, Romeo Francis' charge was soon positioned close to the speed. He was ridden to lead shortly after passing the 200m marker and in another classic finish he fended off a determined challenge from the 7/2 favourite EL BOMBERO by a neck.

A MR89 Handicap topped the bill and in what proved to be the faster of the two 1000m races, we saw a smart performance from the 5yo ISPHAN. Another to ease somewhat in the betting market (9/2 out to 7/1), the son of Tiger Ridge was soon up handy. He took up the running as they approached the 400m pole and after quickly going clear he went on to score very cosily by four and a quarter.

Titbits *After having to steady for a few strides at the start, the well supported newcomer LET IT FLOW ran on well from midfield and gaining at the finish was only beaten half a length by the improving Best Kept Secret.*

Beaten just a neck, the 3yo STARK was baulked for a run between the 400m-200m poles when running on stoutly from midfield in the MR68 Handicap over 1000m.

Very Promising Debut

Scottsville 3 May

The course was running fast in Pietermaritzburg on Wednesday, where, by far the fastest of the three 1200m races was the MR70 Handicap won by the 3yo ROCK OF AFRICA. He raced in midfield early on, but in a field which was always very tightly bunched, he was always poised to strike. He did so shortly after passing the 300m marker and after a thrilling tussle with the Western Cape Visitor CUVARA, he got the verdict by a neck.

The only other distance to stage more than one race on this card was 1400m where the faster of the two maiden plates was the boy's affair won by SEA KING. On leaving the stalls it was the easy to back Coral Lights who elected to make the running whilst the son of Judpot raced close up in fourth. He was quickly challenged by the well-supported favourite RIVER GARDEN shortly after putting his head in

**Last Week's Top Rated
SPEED RATINGS winners incl.**

Tell My Star	won 12/1
Rock Of Africa	won 61/10
Memphis Belle	won 4/1
Enticer	won 32/10
Best Kept Secret	won 29/20
Flying Free	won 12/10
Walker	won 1/3
Wondrous Climber	won 1/4

Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

FAIRVIEW (FRI)

Race 1: (8) Nacre 14
Race 2: (7) Brinkley 18
Race 3: (4) Warren Place 3
Race 4: (11) Lotus Elan 54
Race 5: (4) Stormy Eclipse 70
Race 6: (9) Nevada 61
Race 7: (13) Talca 39
Race 8: (1) Silvan Jazz 54

TURFFONTEIN (SAT)

Race 1: (2) Toby Coates 11
Race 2: (1) Bono 11
Race 3: (2) Playing Games 19
Race 4: (4) Little Tokoyo 7
Race 5: (3) Ali Bon Dubai 10
Race 6: (2) Swing Vote 4
Race 7: (2) Santa Monica 5
Race 8: (3) Kitty Co 1

FAIRVIEW (SAT)

Race 1: (1) Battersea Bridge 6
Race 2: (2) Precious Pansy 26
Race 3: (11) Silver Blade 9
Race 4: (1) Alexis 75
Race 5: (2) Captain Alfredo 79 (EW)
Race 6: (10) Coyote Creek 33
Race 7: (9) Another Night 42
Race 8: (10) Treize 64
Race 9: (13) Trees Of Green 66

GREYVILLE (SUN)

Race 1: (10) Blackball 26
Race 2: (7) Last Summer 5
Race 3: (9) Trip To Rio 60
Race 4: (1) Team Guys 48
Race 5: (1) Natal 65
Race 6: (1) Royalsecuritypower 61
Race 7: (10) Waltzed Home 92
Race 8: (12) Napoli 60

KENILWORTH (SUN)

Race 1: (2) Forest Prince 8
Race 2: (8) Miss Katalin 6
Race 3: (5) Strikeitlikeamatch 23
Race 4: (4) Quarlio 11
Race 5: (1) Tevez 95
Race 6: (6) Silvan Star 87
Race 7: (6) Elusive Wave 65
Race 8: (7) My Emblem 62
Race 9: (14) Samsara 14

Nap bets

* Fancied ** Strongly fancied
*** Very strongly fancied

CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

front 250m out and after a titanic battle on the run to the line, he only got the verdict on the nod.

Also worthy of note on this card was the performance of the newcomer SAND AND SEA in winning a very competitive looking juvenile plate over 1200m. Backed into favouritism at the track, Dennis Drier's charge wasn't the quickest into stride when the gates opened and raced in midfield early on. Given a patient ride by Anton Marcus, he quickened well when given rein, and did very well indeed to reel in AL MARIACHI (raced 2nd – led 270m). One to follow.

Titbits Detached at the rear after being slow into stride, and then cramped at the 110m, the supported favourite DARK MOON RISING was then baulked for a run 300m out before finishing third beaten just 2,75 lengths in the MR70 Handicap over 1200m.

Easy Does It

Vaal 4 May

In terms of distance, the easiest victory on the inside track on Thursday was that of MEMPHIS BELLE when getting off the mark in the faster of the two maiden plates over 1000m. She got away well when the gates opened and soon up handy raced prominent throughout. She was ridden to lead shortly after passing the 400m marker and drew clear easily from there onwards to score by three and a quarter.

Another to win with authority on this card was ISOLDE in the fastest of the three 1400m events, a MR64 Handicap. Content to amble along in midfield for the first half of the race, Sean Tarry's charge ran on best of all when given rein and after striking the front 250m from home, won going away.

They also ran three races over 2000m. The MR68 Handicap was the fastest of these and here BONDIBLU registered her third career victory. Sent off second in the betting market at 7/2, the Sporting Post's Roving Banker was a little slow into stride after being troublesome at the start and



Dutch Philip | (Wayne Marks)

raced at the back. Confidently ridden by Craig Zackey though, she quickly began to make headway when asked for her effort. She ran on best of all in the closing stages of the race and just as if scripted she got up late to deny PEG O' MY HEART.

Titbits The uneasy favourite MISSOURI ran on well from midfield when getting up late to win the maiden plate over 1400m.

Detached at the rear after losing two lengths at the start, SEVEN SOVEREIGNS was finishing best of all when a 1,3 lengths sixth in the maiden plate over 1000m.

Flying The Flag

Kenilworth 6 May

The course was running fast in Cape Town on Saturday. Three of the afternoon's eight races were run over 1000m and the fastest of these was the MR78 Handicap won by AL WAHED. One of four in a line going through the 200m, the always handy Elusive Fort gelding got the verdict by a half over the 3yo CORTADA.

The faster of the two 1200m feature events for the juveniles was the listed Somerset 1200 for the boys won by DUTCH PHILIP. Sent off a well-supported second favourite at 14/10, Candice Bass-Robinson's charge raced fourth of six for most of the journey. Only a length and a quarter off the leader though, the son of What A Winter quickly struck the front when asked for his effort and only having to be pushed out at the business end of the race, won going away from the favourite KASIMER.

The faster of the two 1600m races on the card was the MR76 Handicap won

by PLATINUM PRINCE. Freely available at 8/1 on the off, the son of Silvano raced in the rear early on. He ran on best of all in the new course home straight, and won going away by two and a half from the more fancied FIRE IN THE BELLY.

Titbits Baulked for a run 400m out, MAGICAL WONDERLAND quickened nicely when seeing daylight and went on to win the listed Perfect Promise Sprint comfortably by a length.

FASTEST TIMES

(Number of races run in each category shown in brackets)
* Times taken by Clockwatcher

TURFFONTEIN (INNER) 1 MAY

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,20s slow	
1200m (2) Tell My Star	71,65
1450m (1) Walker	89,37
1500m (2) Simply Royal	91,05
1600m (3) Top Shot	97,18
2200m (1) Eversilver	141,95

VAAL (OUTSIDE) 2 MAY

Penetrometer 22 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,01s fast	
1000m (2) Isphan	56,42
1200m (3) Miraflores	70,62
1400m (1) Golden Man	82,23
1600m (3) Aquabuoy	95,10

SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 3 MAY

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,63s fast	
1000m (1) Timeous	56,37
1200m (3) Rock Of Africa	68,19*
1400m (2) Sea King	83,57
1750m (1) Liquid Rainbow	106,20
2400m (1) Silent Obsession	151,39

VAAL (INSIDE) 4 MAY

Penetrometer 22 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,16s slow	
1000m (2) Memphis Belle	57,43
1400m (3) Isolde	83,66
1700m (1) Trellis	105,67
2000m (3) Bondiblu	123,16

KENILWORTH (NEW) 6 MAY

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 1,00s fast	
1000m (3) Al Wahed	57,74
1200m (2) Dutch Philip	70,50
1600m (2) Platinum Prince	100,02
2000m (1) Aunt Polly	128,02

Notebook Horses worth following at their next few starts...

LET IT FLOW (M Houdalakis, Gauteng)
SAND AND SEA (D Drier, KZN)



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